THE WEATHER

MONROE: Fair, colder, lowest temperature near 26 tonight; Tuesday fair, continued cool.

ARKANSAS: Fair tonight and Tuesday; slightly colder tonight with hard freeze.

The Monroe News-Star

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WIDEN U. S. GROUP'S POWER

By Milo Thompson

Reign Without Terror

(EDITOR'S NOTE: A vivid story of what it means to live under the ever-present threat of death in England has been written by Milo M. Thompson, chief of the London bureau of The Associated Press, who has lived there throughout the European war. He knows what it means to have his home, his office building bombed, to barely miss being killed. That is just one of the many experiences and observations he records in his story. Here is the first article. The others will appear in the News-Star—World in daily installments.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Total war such as London is experiencing today is not all bad.

Something happens to people who, facing death, have put aside all the normal and petty expectations and ambitions.

Their hope is not to have a better job, house, car or dress on some tomorrow, but to be alive.

Most trivial passions disappear when one faces as stark reality the possibility that all possessions, all freedom, even one's country, may no longer be his own in a few short months.

There is something sublime in British reaction to blitzkrieg.

The lady who wouldn't notice a woman of the "lowah clawses" even through a lorgnette now holds the slavey's begrimed baby in the shelter.

The limousine of the banker from "the city" loads up with Cockney workmen at a bus stop to speed them home.

The maid sits in the mistress' parlor for her cup of tea at night.

The high and low find they are actually just people whose knees can quake, whose hearts leap to throats, whose kinfolk are equally precious and whose possessions, large or small, are slipping.

In the presence of a stalking terror they feel the need of companionship and welcome whomsoever is closest.

And great is their amazement to find that they like this. They find qualities they never suspected in each other.

Even Snobs Glad

I have often heard these phenomena discussed a bit ecstatically at group teas and such things. Even the one-time snobs seem glad of it.

We have an aging maid-of-all-work whose case, I think, illustrates one side of what the war is doing to people.

She is on a small government pension, earned by years of cleaning government offices. She had a husband once, but he went off to Australia not long after the other war.

She possesses a tiny cottage, a cat, a tea kettle, a washtub and a cot.

There were a few speaking neighbors, but mostly her pre-war life was a lonely one of puttering about house and garden when she was not at her work. And at work she was never talkative.

Blitzkrieg made her a new existence.

With the very first wave of bombings she fell heir to part of a family of refugees, two teen-age girls from a bombed-out family of ten children. She grumbled at first at the disruption of her peaceful existence, but in almost no time at all found herself as absorbed in that family's scattered

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UNIT MAY SEND FOOD TO FRANCE

Red Cross Plans Also To Dispatch Ship To Spanish Area

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16—(AP)—The American Red Cross has made tentative arrangements to send food ships to hungry Europe—one to Spain and the other to unoccupied France—it was learned authoritatively today.

Actual departure of the ships depends on a successful outcome of negotiations in progress between the United States and British governments, and the prospects there were considered good.

While unwilling to exert pressure on the beleaguered British government for a general lifting of the blockade, the state department, it was learned, is seeking permission for an American ship to proceed to Marseilles with a cargo of condensed milk and concentrated vitamin products for undernourished children in unoccupied France.

The British government has ruled out any relaxation of the blockade for food shipments to countries occupied or dominated by Germany, blocking proposals for a large scale American relief program in continental Europe.

Seeking a continuance of Spain's

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TRAIN CRASH HURTS 16 PERSONS SUNDAY

WAPELLO, Ia., Dec. 16—(AP)—A Rock Island passenger train crashed into the rear coach of another here Sunday night, injuring 16 persons, three seriously.

Mrs. Ellen Bandy of Keota, Ia.; Engineer Ed Ludwig of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and L. R. Boos of West Liberty, Ia., were the most seriously injured. They were taken to a Burlington, Ia., hospital.

The crash occurred, trainmen said, when the northbound passenger train No. 61 smashed into the rear coach of a southbound train before the latter had completed pulling into a siding. The trains were both St. Louis, Mo., to St. Paul, Minn., through trains.

The locomotive of the northbound train was derailed.

Launch New Aircraft Carrier

The U. S. S. Hornet, first of eight new aircraft carriers ordered by the navy, launched at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company in Virginia. It was christened by Mrs. Frank Knox, wife of the secretary of the navy.

GREEK FIGHTERS GO FORWARD IN BITTER WEATHER

Lines Move Ahead On Snowy Front Across Half Length Of Albania

By Daniel De Luce

WITH THE GREEK ARMY ON THE SOUTHERN ALBANIAN FRONT, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Against odds of freezing weather and bitter Italian rearguard resistance, Greece's fighters reported today they had pushed their lines forward on a snowy front running half the length of Albania.

Tough Greek infantrymen, swathed in khaki woolens, carried the brunt of the attack, it was reported in front line military dispatches reaching this base.

The Italians continued throwing reserves into the scattered mountain battles, but all reports pointed to imminent Greek successes possibly surpassing those gained in the capture of Koritza and Argirocastro, main bases of the thwarted Fascist invasion of Greece.

Constant aerial pounding of Valona harbor has hampered Italian efforts to land troops and they now are having to disembark reinforcements in small boats launched from transports anchored two miles from the regular docks.

Not a single piece of Italian fighting equipment is known to have been landed in the past few days, the Greeks declared.

Italian prisoners stream day and

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War Bulletins

SINKS TONS OF SHIPPING

BERLIN, Dec. 16—(AP)—The high command announced in a special communique today that Lieutenant Commander Otto Kretschmer had become the first German submarine commander to sink more than 250,000 tons of shipping.

ACTIONS 'INTOLERABLE'

VICHY, France, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The French ministry of colonies declared today that actions by Thailand (Siamese) forces against "persons and property" along the Thailand-French Indo-China frontier were "intolerable."

France "intends to maintain the integrity of Indo-China rigorously intact," it said in a communique, and asserted that the Thai government should take the frontier disorders in hand if it wished to "maintain normal relations with our great Far Eastern possession."

(Disorders and bombings have been reported for several weeks along the frontier where Thailand had made territorial claims on Indo-China.)

URGES RECONCILIATION

CALCUTTA, India, Dec. 16—(AP)—Lord Linlithgow, viceroy of India declared today he found it "impossible to acquiesce" to the anti-war position of the Indian congress party, which the viceroy said failed to correspond "in the least degree to the true feelings of the country."

Lord Linlithgow urged at a meeting of the Associated Chambers of

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Tech Beauties Selected By Editors In Louisiana

RUSTON, Dec. 16 (Special)—Results of the annual Louisiana Tech beauty contest, in which six newspapermen "gave the gals a gander," have just been announced by Bill Baxter of Columbia, editor of the Lagniappe, college annual, which sponsors the pulchritude race.

The winners: Mary Jean Calhoun, Farmerville, first; Patricia Dawson, Belcher, second; Jimmie Pardue, Ruston, third; Edna Earle Carroll, Gilbert, fourth; Hettie Virginia Nettles, Monroe, fifth, and Mary Ruth Miller, Columbia, sixth.

George V. Lofton, managing editor of the Monroe News-Star—World, had the "best luck" in picking the winners. Of the six he chose, five won the honors and an extra item about it is that of the five winners he named he listed them in the order in which they won when all votes were counted.

R. C. Jarreau, editor of the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, ran Lofton a close second as a beauty judge. Jarreau picked five of the winners also, but he had his order mixed up.

Dolph G. Frantz, editor of the Shreveport Journal, saw his first four nominees make the grade, but he did not get enough support from his colleagues to put across his other two.

Ted Maloy, chief of the United Press bureau in New Orleans, likewise placed four of his selections in the "money," although a couple of "dark horses" reared their pretty heads to weaken his batting average somewhat.

Charles A. Hazen, managing editor of the Shreveport Times, made a selection that included three of the winners and Clarence E. Faulk, Jr., publisher of the Ruston Daily Leader, picked two winners.

Photographs of 20 beauty contestants were submitted to the six editors, the pictures being marked only by num-

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MORE AUTHORITY FOR U. S. OVER ELECTRIC WORK

High Court Rules Federal Group May Require License For Projects

OPINION IS 6 TO 2

Decision Contrary To Contentions Of Virginia Attorney General

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The supreme court broadened today the authority of the federal government to regulate the nation's hydroelectric projects.

In a decision by Justice Reed, the tribunal ruled specifically that the federal power commission may require the Appalachian Electric Power Company to obtain a standard federal license for its dam and power projects on New river near Radford, Va.

It was a six to two opinion. Justice Roberts wrote a dissent in which Justice McReynolds concurred. Chief Justice Hughes did not participate.

The decision was contrary to the contentions of attorneys general of Virginia and 40 other states that the federal government was attempting to exceed its authority. Invasion of state rights was claimed.

Government attorneys contended the power commission had jurisdiction over hydroelectric projects whenever interstate commerce, flood control or "navigable capacity" of interstate streams was affected.

The Appalachian company argued that New river was non-navigable and the plant would not "impair navigable capacity" on the Kanawha river, into which New river runs, or the Ohio river, into which the Kanawha runs.

One of the principal issues of the long-litigated suit was whether the power commission could legally take over (or recapture) the plant at the end of the 50-year license period provided by the federal power act.

The government would pay the company its net investment in the property or the fair value, whichever is the lowest, at the end of the 50 years.

WOMAN STILL SNEEZING HERE

Physicians Plan Anesthetic In Attempt To Stop Long Attack

Attending physicians Monday planned the administration of an anesthetic to Mrs. J. E. Boyd, 800 St. John street, Monroe, in an effort to stop an incessant attack of sneezing which began last Tuesday just before the patient prepared to leave the St. Francis Sanitarium.

Mrs. Boyd showed signs of slight improvement Sunday morning, but Sunday night suffered a relapse, sneezing on an average of 30 to 35 times every five minutes, physicians reported.

Physicians have administered various sedatives and have cauterized the nerves of the patient's nose in an effort to stop the attack. They decided that placing the patient under a general anesthetic for about a five or six-hour period Monday might do the trick.

J. E. Boyd, truck driver employed by J. M. Menefee and husband of Mrs. Boyd, stated that his wife had been able to get some sleep Sunday and had been able to take some orange juice "in between sneezes."

"She would doze off for a few minutes and suddenly wake up sneezing, saying that she had dreamed that she was sneezing again," Mr. Boyd stated.

Attending physicians were still doubtful Monday as to the cause for the sneezing attack.

EXPLOSION AT MINE IN TENNESSEE KILLS ONE, HURTS SEVERAL

LA FOLLETTE, Tenn., Dec. 16—(AP)—One miner was killed and several others were injured in an early morning explosion at the Dixie King Coal Company mine north of here today.

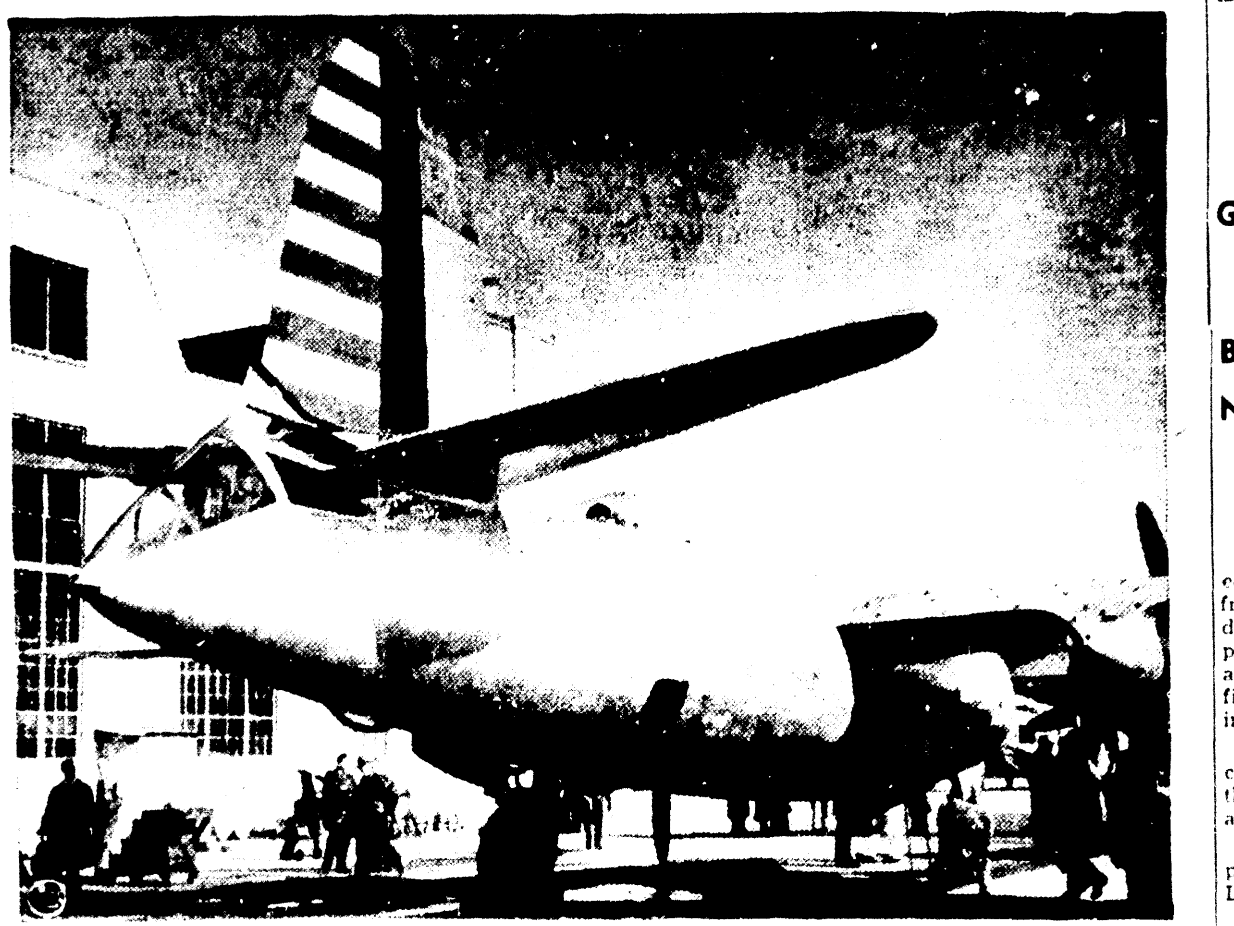
Minton Sharp, La Follette undertaker, said the dead man was W. P. Kirkland, about 44, of La Follette.

He listed the injured, all of La Follette, as Albert Burrell, 27; George Brown, 45, and James Rains, 47; all were hospitalized here with burns of the neck, face and hands. The burns were reported not serious.

Several others in the mine, a shaft into the foot of a hill, at the time of the blast received treatment at the mine entrance for slight cuts and burns.

Uninjured workmen removed Kirkland's body and assisted the burned men from the mine.

Rear Gunner's Turret For Bomber



Equipped with the latest features demanded in modern aerial combat, this is the rear gunner's turret of the Martin B-26, new medium bomber being built for the army air corps, and which recently underwent successful tests at Baltimore, Md.

Low Of 26 Predicted; Tornado Hits In State

Residents Of Twin Cities Warned To Protect Pipes, Vegetation; Air Service Resumed Between Monroe, Other Points

DONALDSONVILLE, Dec. 16—(AP)—Heavy rains general over the state were punctuated Sunday by the second tornado within three days near here.

A twister tore a path 500 feet wide through the settlement "A" bend on the Mississippi river, three miles below Donaldsonville.

E. A. Truxillo, a stock and bond salesman, was slightly injured, and his residence was demolished. Two negroes and several negro children received slight injuries.

A dance hall, barns and brick buildings were levelled. Fences and trees were uprooted, and telephone and power lines were blown down.

At Napoleonville, about 15 miles away, where a tornado caused damage of nearly $12,000 Thursday, a storm Sunday unroofed several homes and garages, but none was injured.

Heavy rains briefly flooded streets at Baton Rouge, and water at one time stood a foot high at Plaquemine.

(By Associated Press)

Christmas shoppers and officegoers sloshed through rain and slush in many parts of the nation today as an extensive storm area moved northeastward in a belt extending from the gulf to Lake Superior, and rainstorms whipped the northwest Pacific coast.

Snow was falling in the western part of the gulf-Superior belt, extend-

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Residents of the Twin Cities were warned today to protect exposed pipes and vegetation as the United States Weather Bureau at New Orleans predicted a low temperature near 26 tonight.

FREEZING

Fair skies were forecast, with continued cool weather Tuesday.

A hard freeze was predicted in Arkansas.

The mercury dropped to 33.1 degrees here at 7:30 a.m. today following a rain and windstorm yesterday during which the velocity of the wind was registered at 30 miles per hour in gusts by Civil Aeronautics observers at Selman Field. The precipitation, the observers said, was .23 of an inch.

The temperature this morning was 12.4 lower than the minimum recorded Sunday, which was 45.5. The highest yesterday was 53.

Delta Airline officials reported here this morning that the firm today resumed its regular schedules of passenger, mail and express service. There has been no service out of Monroe since last Thursday night, officials said, due to low ceiling, rain and icing conditions. Other schedules along the line, between Fort Worth, Dallas and Atlanta suffered also, the officials added.

A Delta plane, which had been

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MOCK HOLDUP ENDS IN 'TRAGEDY' AFTER ERROR BY 'BANDITS'

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 16—(AP)—Five Great Falls men staged a mock stagecoach holdup to initiate a group of Chicago amateur boxers to the "Old West" but it backfired.

Decked out in colorful western attire, the quintet barricaded a road 13 miles south of Great Falls and, guns drawn, commanded the driver of the bus from Butte to halt. The driver, in on the stunt, tried to explain that the Chicagoans were following in a second car but William Shea, former president of the Montana Cowboys Association, didn't give him a chance to talk.

Passengers, hands upraised, squirmed. Some women tried to hide valuables.

Then Shea discovered the mistake. Red-faced, the "bandits" withdrew, with profuse apologies.

When the second bus came along, the "holdup" was staged but somehow lacked zest until one of the Chicago boxers resented being shoved around. He poked Shea. That broke up the party and the "bandits" unmasked.

CONCERT TONIGHT AT COLLEGE HERE

The second concert this season of the Monroe Civic Music Association at Northeast Junior College will be held tonight, instead of Tuesday night as was announced in Sunday's paper.

The association will present Ania Dorfmann, young and gifted Russian pianist.

Letters Ask Good Fellows To Lend Some Assistance

Previously acknowledged	$160.35
In memory of C. F. McCoy	2.50
Thompson Wood Lee Auxiliary No. 10 United Spanish-American War Veterans	2.00
Collens Five Point Pharmacy	10.00
Glenda Ware	1.00
Sabbath School, Temple B'nai Israel	2.50
Mrs. Ruth Howell	4.00
Mr. and Mrs. Street McGuffey	1.50
Women's International Union Label League	5.00
Jean Elstner Frazer	2.50
Total to Date	$191.35

These Good Fellow letters tell their own story:

"Please think of us Xmas. We are a family of three, myself, my husband and baby. My husband hasn't had a job in the last six months, only picking up one or two jobs here and there. You are the only one we know of to help us so we can have a little Christmas. This is the first time we have ever written you so I don't know whether we will get anything or not, but we trust in the Lord that we will."

"I am an old man 72 years old and I have a young son, but I am too old to work. I draw a small sum from the state which is just enough to get by on. I will not have any Christmas if you do not think of me. If you will send me just a little to eat I will thank you and appreciate it if you will think of me."

"I will write you a few lines to let you know that I am a little boy 12 years old and I live with my grandmother and that I do not have any clothes or shoes to wear. If you will please send me something to wear, and anything you will send me I will appreciate. My daddy is out of work and cannot get a job at all, so please remember me."

"I am not expecting much for Christmas this year as my daddy works on the WPA and has been sick and not able to work. I sure would appreciate your help. I am a little girl 14 years old and I have a little brother, 12, and two little sisters, one is eight years old and the other is eight months. We would like very much for you to bring us some nuts and fruit and something for our Christmas dinner. We all need clothes and I would like very much if you could bring us a few. I will close hoping to see you Xmas. We thank you very much."

FRANCE REFUSES NAZIS RIGHT TO CROSS FRONTIER

Nation In 'Delicate Position,' Observers Say After Action

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Beaten France is in a "delicate" position today, in the opinion of some French leaders, a few of whom even expressed fears that Germany eventually might occupy all of the nation.

These fears were said to have grown out of Chief of State Marshal Philippe Petain's reported refusal of a German request for permission to send Nazi troops through unoccupied France to aid Italian forces in Libya and Greece without disturbing Italian home morale. The latter, it was said, possibly would result if German troops were sent through Italy herself.

Advices from Vichy to diplomatic sources here said Petain and his ministers considered the request, made through Pierre Laval before he was ousted as vice-premier and foreign minister last week, but turned it down.

It was said they looked on the request as an axis attempt to gain a foothold on the French Mediterranean bases.

Interior Minister Marcel Peyrouton used the word "delicate" to describe the country's position in warning newspapers to be careful in their handling of a swift-moving series of events.

These events included:

1. Announcement from Vichy that Petain intended to establish a consultative assembly to share "certain responsibilities" with him and his ministers.

2. The long-awaited return of the remains of Napoleon Bonaparte's only son from Vienna to Paris which was

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DESERT TROOPS RECEIVING HELP FROM AIR UNIT

Greeks Launch Fierce New Offensive Toward Central Albanian City

BERLIN FEELS BOMBS

Nazi Airmen Counter With Raid On Sheffield, English Steel Center

(By Associated Press)

Britain's desert fighters were reported today to have driven across the frontier into Italian Libya in the eight-day-old battle of Egypt; R. A. F. planes bombed Berlin in "prolonged" attacks, and the Greeks launched a fierce new offensive toward Elbasani, in central Albania.

A British general headquarters communique said advance forces of the counter-invasion army were "well across" the Libyan frontier.

The goal of the British drive appeared to be Bardia, 25 miles inside Libya.

Strongly-defended positions around Salum, Egyptian port five miles from the frontier, were still held by the Italians, the communique acknowledged.

Adolf Hitler's high command listed four killed, 12 wounded in the overnight assault on Berlin, as well as "some" houses damaged, two hospitals hit and a suburban rail line "temporarily disturbed."

Nazi bombers countered with a raid on Sheffield, north England steel center, raining explosives on the city (population 500,000) while rescue squads still dug for victims buried alive in the wreckage left by last Thursday night's attack.

The British Press Association said a large casualty list in Sheffield was "feared."

A few bombs also fell in London. Seven persons were reported trapped in bomb-smashed houses on the capital's outskirts and two children were removed dead from the rubble of their homes.

In the Mediterranean conflict, Lieutenant-General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson's forces were reported scoring new gains against the hard-driven Italians.

Cairo dispatches said bitter fighting raged during the night in the Salum sector, five miles inside Egypt, with

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CONGRESS MAPS PLANS FOR 1941

Waits To Hear From F. D. R. Before Making Definite Schedule

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Leaders put defense, foreign policy and federal finances at the top of the next congressional program today, but waited to hear President Roosevelt's wishes before arranging a definite schedule of legislation.

The dying 76th session, it was expected, will act only on the president's anticipated veto of the Logan-Walter bill before adjourning. The session may be the longest in history, outlasting even the 354-day wartime session of 1917-18.

Neither house has had a majority present for some time, but leaders were hopeful they could obtain quorums for action on Mr. Roosevelt's message regarding the Logan-Walter legislation. The bill, passed despite administration opposition, would increase the jurisdiction of the courts over rulings of administrative agencies.

The chief executive has indicated he would veto the legislation and his followers in congress predicted he would give a comprehensive outline of his reasons in a veto message tomorrow or Wednesday.

Unless two-thirds of both houses vote to override, the veto will stand, hence the importance attached to congressional attendance. Some thought that efforts to obtain a quorum for action would prolong the session until the end of the year without any Christmas recess.

Democratic Leader Barkley of the senate was expected to discuss the anticipated veto in a conference with

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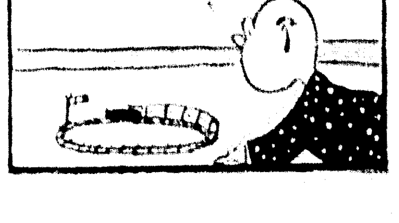
7 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS



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Lovely Affair In Honor Bride-Elect

Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Wallace Entertain At Luncheon For Dorothy Maye Sherrouse

Plaques of white carnations and white stock were reflected in oval mirrors, one large and two small ones, gracing the white damask covered luncheon table in the Cameo room of the Virginia hotel, presided over by Mrs. A. K. Kilpatrick and Mrs. Charles W. Wallace who entertained complimentary to Miss Dorothy Maye Sherrouse on Friday at one o'clock.

The table, serviced exclusively in silver and crystal, was bathed in silvery candlelight from myriad white tapers in antique crystal candelabra adorned with square cut prisms placed on oval reflectors at the four corners. Crystal service plates and crystal goblets complemented the luncheon service.

Four delicious courses were served with planked sea food, served with white wine, the entree. The dessert course, white wedding bell ices, suggested the approaching nuptial events.

Miss Sherrouse was smartly clad on this occasion in a moss green model with all accessories of green and a handsome mink coat.

Guests in addition to Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Wallace and their guest of honor, Miss Sherrouse, were Mrs. John Sherrouse, Mrs. Edward Seymour, Mrs. William Conley, Mrs. James Sparks, Mrs. Felix Terzia, Miss Clara Virginia Terzia, Mrs. Noland Moore, Mrs. Gordon Cummings, Mrs. Thomas Gilbert, Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Mrs. T. McNoir, Mrs. Fay Walter, Mrs. W. Gilbert, Mrs. Mary Edwards, Mrs. Richard Ward and Mrs. L. Kiper.

Other affairs honoring Miss Sherrouse this week will be Miss Clara Virginia Terzia's buffet supper party at the Virginia hotel Wednesday night and Miss Robertine Rhymes' dinner party on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sherrouse will entertain with a rehearsal party Friday night for the Sherrouse-Gear wedding party. A breakfast party Saturday morning with Mrs. Leta Gilbert, Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Jr., Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Sr., and Mrs. W. H. Gilbert, hostesses, will conclude the many charming prenuptial courtesies bestowed upon Miss Sherrouse.

A veritable feast of beautiful music from the classics is in store for members of the Civic Music Association members tonight when Miss Ania Dorfmann appears in concert at Northeast Junior College auditorium.

A glance over the following program will prove interesting:

I

Pastorale and Capriccio .... Scarlatti-Tausig
Sonata in B flat major, Opuss 22 .... Beethoven
Allegro con brio
Adagio con molto espressione
Menuetto
Rondo
Rondo Capriccioso ......Mendelssohn

II.

Sonata in B minor, Opus 58 ..Chopin
Allegro maestoso
Scherzo
Largo
Finale (Presto non tano)

III.

Nocturne, Opus 33 ....Faure
Impromptu, Opus 34 ....Faure
Novelette .... Poulenc
Valse Impromptu ....Liszt
Echo of Vienna (Valse)..........Sauer

Mrs. J. C. Leath, president of the Missouri Pacific Women's Club, presided over the December meeting at the club house. Reports from the various committees were heard following the singing in unison of "My Louisiana" and "God Bless America."

Mrs. P. J. Newman, chairman of the Red Cross committee and her assistants, Mrs. R. H. Thompson, Mrs. P. E. Worley, Mrs. Oliver Rogers, Mrs. L. L. Richardson, Mrs. L. G. Crow, Mrs. O. W. Baker, Mrs. H. H. Gudger, Mrs. M. R. Hausherr, submitted a splendid report.

A donation of $10 was made to the Community Chest, according to the treasurer's report.

Mrs. A. D. Tisdale, the guest speaker, gave as customary, an illuminating address on club work.

During the social hour several classical piano numbers were rendered by Mrs. Willis Hopkins.

A confectionery course was served by Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, Mrs. L. E. Hatley, Mrs. E. K. Hunt and Mrs. J. H. Day.

Miss Helena E. Alexander of New York City is the holiday guest of her sister, Mrs. E. F. Hayward, and Dr. Hayward. Mrs. Hayward's nephew, Paul Alexander, of Washington, is also a holiday guest in the Hayward home.

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If a Cold Develops
(Some colds get by all precautions)
Thoroughly massage throat, chest, and back with Vicks VAPORUB, then spread on a thick layer of VapoRub, cover with a warmed cloth, and go to bed. VapoRub brings wonderful relief and invites restful sleep. VapoRub stimulates the skin like a warming poultice, while its medicinal vapors are breathed into the cold-irritated air passages. Often when morning comes, most of the cold's discomforts are gone.
Be Prepared—Get a bottle of Vicks VA-TRO-NOL and a jar of Vicks VAPORUB today and take the above precautions. They may save you a lot of sickness and worry. Be sure to read package enclosures for complete, helpful directions for use.

Coming Events

Tuesday

Women's Missionary Union, First Baptist Church, will meet in circles as follows:

No. 1—Mrs. J. W. Hammett, 409 Hilton; No. 2—Mrs. E. B. Johnson, 511 Auburn; No. 3—Mrs. Claude Ballard, 502 Louisville avenue; No. 4—Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, 717 Trenton street, West Monroe; No. 5—Mrs. C. L. Williams, 3604 Blanks; No. 6—First Baptist Church; No. 7—Mrs. S. W. Tucker, 317 Sixth street; No. 8—Mrs. J. L. Adams, 800 Jackson street; No. 9—Mrs. R. L. Ross, 320 Morris; No. 10—Mrs. H. K. Litton, 2618 South Grand; No. 11—unreported; No. 12—Mrs. W. L. Blewster, L. T. I.

Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at the church at 3 o'clock for a Christmas program and fellowship hour.

Meeting of American Association of University Women with Mrs. C. C. Colvert, 221 Chauvin avenue. Mrs. John Cecil Currie and Mrs. W. R. Hammond, cohostesses. 7:30 p.m.

Little Theater play, "Inspector General," at Northeast Junior College auditorium under direction of Lorenzo Smith. 8:15 p.m.

Presbyterian Auxiliary Christmas program at 3:30 p. m. in the church.

Ouachita Parish P.-T. A. Executive Board meeting at Ouachita High school, Room No. 206, at 4 p. m.

Wednesday

The Business and Professional Girls' club of the Y. W. C. A. will meet at 6:30 at the Y. W. C. A. for their Christmas program and Christmas tree.

Meeting of the Welcome Branch Book club, 3:00 p.m., at the home of Mrs. E. Everett Lawson, 807 Auburn avenue. Mrs. Harry Moore and Mrs. Jack Masur will be co-hostesses.

Miss Clara Virginia Terzia will entertain with a buffet supper complimentary to Miss Dorothy Maye Sherrouse at the Virginia hotel.

Mrs. P. E. Massey will entertain the Monroe Literary club with a Christmas party at her home. 200 Layton. 4 p.m.

Thursday

Meeting of the Readers' Clique at the home of Mrs. Burl Hollis, 3602 Harrison street, 2:30 p.m.

Ouachita Parish P.-T. A. regular meeting at the Ouachita Parish High school at 4 p. m. Glee club will sing Christmas carols and the speech department will present a play.

Fine Arts club annual banquet at the Frances hotel, 8 p.m.

Meeting of Ouachita Parish P.-T. A. High school auditorium. 4 p.m.

Friday

Christmas tree party at the Roan school of dancing studio for members of the dancing classes. 7:30 p.m.

Miss Robertine Rhymes will entertain with a dinner party for Miss Dorothy Maye Sherrouse.

Louise L. McGuire Benevolent club Christmas banquet, Masonic Temple. All members invited, 6 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sherrouse hosts at a supper party for Sherrouse-Gear wedding party.

Saturday, December 21

Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Sr., Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Jr., and Mrs. Leta Gilbert will entertain the Sherrouse-Gear wedding party at breakfast in the Cameo room of the Virginia hotel. 11 a.m.

Wedding of Miss Dorothy Maye Sherrouse and George Adrian Gear in the Crystal ballroom, Virginia hotel.

Mrs. Leta Gilbert, Mrs. W. E. Gilbert, Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Jr., Mrs. Lannie Calhoun, Sr., will entertain at breakfast at the Virginia hotel for the Sherrouse-Gear wedding party, 11 a.m.

Friends have just received the following invitations:

Mrs. Thomas Butitta, Jr.
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request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their children
Annette Marie
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William Edward
on Sunday, December twenty-ninth
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at three-thirty in the afternoon
St. Matthew's Catholic Church
Monroe, Louisiana

The home of Mrs. W. P. Stotts was the scene of an attractive miscellaneous shower, arranged by Mrs. Stotts and Mrs. S. A. Myers, for a recent bride, Mrs. Columbus Mobley, formerly Miss Marie Bagwell.

The living room was decorated in red and green, symbolic of the approaching Christmas season.

The honor guest wore an attractive blue gown with corsage of white carnations.

The handsome gifts included silver, china, crystal and linen.

After viewing the gifts, the guests were invited to the dining room adorned in gay holiday decorations of crimson berries, green leaves and candles. Candles in holders wreathed in holly berries and silver foliage flanked the central decor. At one end of the table was placed a beautiful, three-tiered wedding cake surmounted with a miniature bride and groom beneath an arch of valley lilies.

At the other end of the table was placed a large gold cake, beautifully embossed and inscribed with the words "Happy Birthday." The cake was sent to the honor guest's mother, who was ill and unable to be present.

Mrs. S. A. Myers poured coffee and Mrs. D. L. Rosser presided over the tea urns. The guest of honor cut and served the cake. Piano selections were contributed by Mrs. Davis Meredith during the tea hour.

Mrs. Roumain Peters and two sons, John and Benny, of Alexandria, will arrive the first of the week to spend a few days with Mrs. Peters' mother, Mrs. John J. Potts.

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Who Killed Aunt Maggie?

By MEDORA FIELD

YESTERDAY. First Aunt Maggie was murdered. Then it was found impossible either to telephone the police, or to go for them, because of a blinding storm and the fact that someone had let the air out of all the tires on all the cars. And now Sally has left Bill, her husband, on guard and has gone to her room and slept. But neither she nor the other guests at what had been intended as a quiet house-party have had much rest. A murderer is, they are convinced, still in the house.

Chapter 16
No Answer

WHEN I awakened at a little after eight o'clock in the morning I discovered that the fastening of one of the window blinds had come loose in the night.

This was, no doubt, responsible for the cold draft which had blown across me in my dream, but I still had an uncomfortable feeling that the secret of the hidden room might be somewhere right under my nose. After all, this was the room in which the warning message had been left.

But a hurried survey revealed no clue. Later, I would make a more thorough examination. Just now I could not hurry fast enough with my bathing and dressing, so anxiously was I for the comfort of Bill's nearness, his reassurance that daylight meant a straightening out of at least some of our difficulties.

The rain had stopped in the night, but the sky was leaden, as though a downpour might begin at any moment. On the way downstairs I remembered the matches I had lost the night before somewhere near the landing. They were easy enough to find this morning but, except for the fact that I had automatically looked for them along the way, I should have passed unnoticed a small scrap of rose-colored taffeta which evidently had been snagged off by a nail projecting from one of the rounds supporting the stair rail. Of course, the nail should not have been there in the first place, and it was easy to see that it had been used in a crude attempt to repair a split in one of the delicate rounds.

"Some of Thomas's work," I told myself, with a mental note to have the repair looked after properly.

Thomas had been my grandmother's gardner and general handy man for many years, and as she had grown older he had grown a bit slovenly. He and Lindy, his wife, had lived in the servants' quarters back of the house until a month or so ago, when they had moved to a tenant house about a quarter of a mile distant.

It occurred to me now that I might question Thomas along with Bessie and Andrew about the secret room.

Thinking of all this, I picked up the small piece of silk as any housewife would. I noticed that tiny feathers or down clung to the cloth and wondered idly where such a scrap could have come from. Then I remembered that Alice had been wearing a rose quilted robe the night before.

But Alice had said she went only to the head of the stairs.

I stuffed the matches and the bit of silk into a pocket of my red cardigan and hurried on to the dining room. Bill, usually almost too bright and cheerful in the mornings, now looked like death warmed over. The knot on his head had gone down, but the discoloration had spread to the area around his eye.

Nobody else appeared to be up and Bill explained that Andrew had set out on foot for Roswell, "to spread the alarm," and also to try to stir up an electrician and a wrecker for the cars.

"Of course, it's Sunday, and everything will probably be shut up in Roswell," he added. "But, anyway, Andrew can at least find a telephone."

"I'm glad it is Sunday," I said. "Maybe, we can get everything cleared up today and there won't be a lot of wild headlines in the papers."

"Of course, there's the radio," Bill reminded me. "Don't they have news broadcasts on Sunday?"

Red Light

WHAT little appetite I had disappeared as I followed this gloomy trail of thought, but at Bill's insistence I forced down toast and coffee. At the same time I related to him the reason for my trip downstairs in the small hours of the morning.

Neither Kirk nor I had mentioned to Bill the fact that the sheet over Aunt Maggie had been disturbed. I had purposely omitted discussing it and Kirk, I am sure, had refrained out of consideration for me.

This ghoulish detail now impressed Bill where he might otherwise have been inclined to try to explain away my theory that the secret room was in some way connected with Aunt Maggie's death. "It's possible you are right," he admitted. "God knows there must be some reason back of it all. But why on earth didn't you let me go on this little research expedition?"

"I was trying to let you get some sleep," I said. "Besides, it all seemed so crazy. I didn't know what you would say. My consideration didn't work out exactly as it should have. But naturally, I didn't expect you to be running into gorillas or to have mirrors rise up and sock you on the head."

Bessie padded in, bringing fresh toast. "Funny to me," she grumbled, "looking glasses jumpin' down off the wall all by theirself and hittin' folks. Somethin' evil in this here house. Miss Sally, we goin' back to town today, ain't we?"

Bill and I both said we hoped so and tried to explain that Bill had knocked against the mirror and that the fastening was no doubt ready to give way. But Bessie remained firm in her conviction. "Somethin' evil in this here house," she reiterated, as she went back to the kitchen.

Bill was as much in the dark as I with regard to the red light and inclined to think I had imagined it. I was none too sure myself, and yet why would I pick out a red light to imagine?

"The trees are thinner there," I pointed out. "It's that long sweep of lawn with the cherry laurel hedge and the trees and that curve of the road just beyond. It could have been the tail-light of a car."

"But all the cars are in the back yard, just as they were last night," said Bill. "All of 'em with flat tires. And both Andrew and I tried to start the station wagon this morning. Anyway, no car could have negotiated that mud."

"Perhaps it was a car from the outside."

"A car that turned around and went back? I get you," said Bill, "but why?"

"You tell me why," I suggested.

"Look here," said Bill suddenly, "did you have any crazy relatives?"

"All of them are more or less crazy, according to what you've always seemed to think," I answered, with a feeble attempt at lightness.

"No, I mean would any of them be likely to be shut up here in this so-called secret room? You know how people sometimes are about admitting such things. Try to hide the afflicted one away."

"Well, I never heard of anything of the sort," I said. "Of course, Grandmother did die rather suddenly. There wasn't any chance for her to tell anybody anything. That is, of course, if there was anything to tell."

"I only thought of it as a possible explanation," Bill said.

Cryptic Paper

"SPEAKING of crazy relatives," I said slowly, "that makes me wonder ... There was some sort of jingle set aside in Aunt Maggie's papers when I came out here yesterday. When I didn't see it last night, I thought she had put it away. Do you suppose—"

"The clue, you mean?" asked Bill, his face brightening. "What did it say?"

"That's the trouble. I can't remember. It was all a mixed-up jumble, something about hands and feet and steps. I thought Aunt Maggie had set it aside as a curiosity. You don't suppose it was a reducing exercise?"

"I don't think they bothered very much about such things back in those days," said Bill. "Sure you can't make head or tail of it?"

I shook my head hopelessly. "Anyway, it may not have been the clue. I'll look in Aunt Maggie's papers. But first I want to speak to Bessie."

"And I want a shave and a bath," said Bill.

In the kitchen I tactfully broached the subject of the secret room. But I got exactly nowhere. Bessie swore she had never heard of any secret room in the house, nor had she heard any sort of remark at any time which might indicate an unseemly interest on the part of anyone else, white or black.

A knock sounded on the kitchen door just as I was leaving, and when Bessie opened it Thomas came shuffling in, hat in hand.

"Mornin', Miss Bessie," I heard him say, and then as he caught sight of me, "Mornin', Miss Sally. I come to see if I could help Andrew and Bessie some, seein' as how Lindy couldn't come. Andrew come over to my house Friday and say you want Lindy to help, but she ain't home. She gone to visit her sick aunt."

Like all his people, whatever their usual disregard of the broad "a," Thomas pronounced it a'h'nt. "Yes'm, her a'h'nt is sick."

"I hope she isn't very sick," I said absently. "When did Lindy go?"

Thomas stuttered and seemed unable to remember. "Day before yesterday, I think it was, Miss Sally. Yes'm, she went day before yesterday." While this hesitation struck me as a little odd, I decided that perhaps Lindy had gone after Andrew's visit and that Thomas was embarrassed by the fact.

"Thomas," I said, "have you ever heard of a secret room at Wisteria Hall?"

"Have I ever heard of what, Miss Sally?"

"A secret room," I repeated, knowing very well he had understood me the first time. "Think, Thomas."

"I don't rightly remember, Miss Sally. Seems as how I did hear your gran'ma say somethin' 'bout one."

To be continued

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The Christmas party enjoyed each year by members of the Business and Professional Women's Club was discussed at the regular business meeting last week. Each member will be remembered with a gift at this time.

The Christmas baskets to be delivered to needy families on Christmas morning were also discussed at this time. In addition to the foodstuff a gift of a dress accompanies each basket. The Christmas party will be held this year at the home of Mrs. R. N. Slator, December 29.

Present were Miss Mary Hester, Miss Florence Powell, Mrs. Jewell Wise, Mrs. Evelyn Reims, Miss Nora Downes, Miss Hazel Wakefield, Miss Alice Bauer, Miss Mary O'Kelly, Miss Kate Perkins, Mrs. Gladys Miles, Mrs. Johnnie Smith Elbert, Miss Bernice Wright, Miss Mamie Ober and Mrs. Effie Allen.

Billy Morris Hearne's friends enjoyed with him the celebration of his first birthday anniversary.

Following an hour of play refreshments were served by the little host's mother, Mrs. M. B. Hearne, to Elizabeth Mae Hutchins, Jack Edwin Martin, Harry Lee Arnold, Arthur Griffith. Mothers present were Mrs. A. E. Williamson, Mrs. I. L. Yeager, Mrs. R. U. Irby, Mrs. Howard Griffith, Mrs. Harry Arnold, Mrs. J. J. Hutchins, Mrs. Carter Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Biedenharn and daughter, Jo Ann, spent the week-end in New Orleans.

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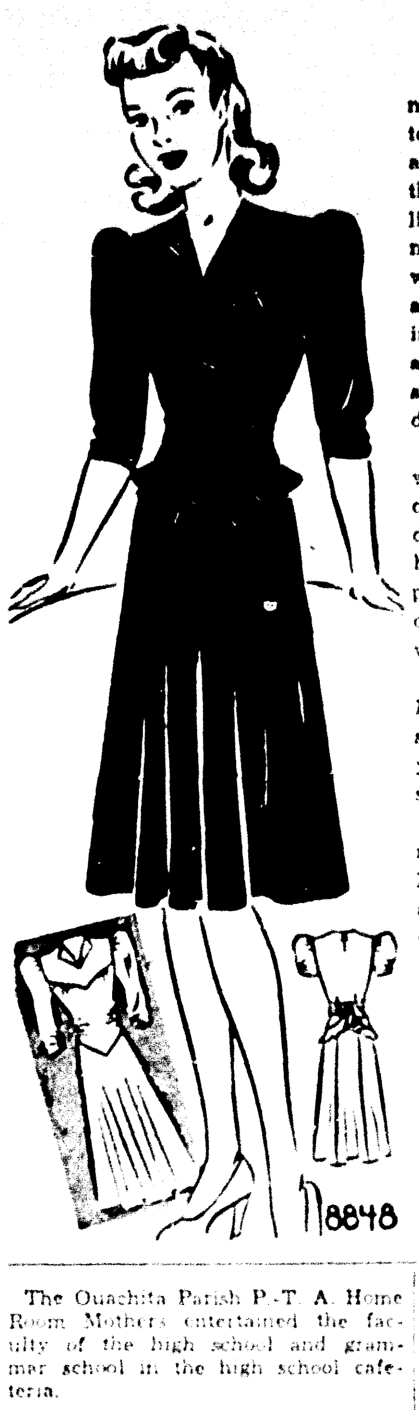
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The Ouachita Parish P.-T. A. Home Room Mothers entertained the faculty of the high school and grammar school in the high school cafeteria.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. S. E. Morris, chairman, and minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary. Mrs. Morris introduced Mrs. A. D. Tisdale, radio chairman of the citizenship program who spoke on the subject "Practical Ways in Which the School and the Home May Cooperate for National Defense." "The Consumers Guide" magazine was distributed to those present.

Mrs. D. L. Nicol, P.-T. A. president, requested cooperation in attaining the goal set for membership and expressed hope for a ten per cent increase.

Copies of Parent-Teacher magazines were distributed.

The Home Room Mothers' club was pleased to have as its guests, Superintendent T. O. Brown, Principal Jack Hayes and Principal Joe Craig, as well as faculty members, all of whom remained for the social hour. Delicious cake and tea were served by the following girls: La Jeanne Reppond, Katherine Morris, Winifred Benson, Shirley Mae McKinney, Laura Mae Parker and Peggy Strong.

Hostesses for this program were Mrs. Elzie A. Reppond, Mrs. Benton Holt, Mrs. W. J. Benson, Mrs. E. E. Eaves, Mrs. W. B. Imbrie, Mrs. W. S. Cole, Mrs. F. M. Durham, Mrs. A. M. Gibbs, Mrs. C. J. Simmons, Mrs. W. F. Hornberger and Mrs. S. E. Morris.

Mrs. George Wesley Smith extended the hospitality of her home to members of the Monroe Poetry Society.

A general discussion on "Poetry" was enjoyed during the afternoon and considerable progress noted in the work of every member.

During the social hour Mrs. Smith served delicious refreshments to Mrs. R. O. Ware, Mrs. H. J. Fernandez, Mrs. W. C. Faulk and Mrs. L. F. Tarver. Poems recently composed by these members are "Shepherd of the Hills," "Lovely Autumn," "We Lower the Flag," "Today," and "World Wide Prayer For Peace."

Friends will regret to learn that Miss Elizabeth Carr who is working for her master's degree in dramatic art at the University of North Carolina will not spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Robert Carr, at their plantation home near Collinston, as customary. Miss Carr has a private dancing class at the university and will spend the holidays in New York City receiving private instruction from the leading dancing masters of America.

Miss Carr presented her pupils in a Christmas Review at the Carolina Inn ballroom in Chapel Hill before she departed for New York. Miss Carr and dancing partner, Alex Guerry, appeared on the program in a glamorous waltz arranged by Louis Chalif, celebrated instructor of the dance.

Mrs. Sol Meyers has returned to Monroe and is again at home to her friends at the Frances hotel. Mrs. Meyers has been in New York and Hot Springs, Ark., for the past several months for the benefit of her health.

Miss Rosalia Kusin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kusin, has returned home following a visit of several months with relatives in Chicago and New York City.

Mrs. T. H. McMillan has returned from Shreveport where she was at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. John Permenter, who had the misfortune to fall and break a limb. Mrs. Permenter and family, due to the accident, will be unable to spend the holidays in the McMillan home as customary each year.

Larry Fox has arrived home from Principia preparatory school, St. Louis, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fox.

Mrs. Laurence Fox of Kansas City is a holiday guest in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Fox on Riverside.

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MORE DRAFTEES WILL BE CALLED

Louisiana To Supply 649 White, 460 Negro Men In January

ATLANTA, Dec. 16—(AP)—More than 11,000 registrants in the eight Southeastern states will be inducted into the army next month for a year's military training under the selective service program.

Fourth Corps area headquarters announced over the week-end that of 11,006 registrants to be called from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee, 8,156 would be white persons and 2,850 negroes.

Six hundred and four white draftees and 396 negroes will be drawn from Alabama, while Georgia will supply 1,624 white conscripts and 370 negroes.

In the other Southeastern states the totals are: Florida, 463 white draftees and 290 negroes; Louisiana, 649 and 460; Mississippi, 440 and 538; North Carolina, 1,635 and 366; South Carolina, 1,391 and 292, and Tennessee, 1,350 and 228.

Draftees from Alabama will be inducted at Fort Barrancas, Fla., and Fort McClellan, Ala., and will be stationed permanently at Fort Bragg, N. C., Fort McPherson at Atlanta, and Camp Blanding, Fla.

Georgia draftees will be inducted at Fort Benning, Ga., and Fort McPherson, and will be stationed at Fort Benning and Fort Jackson, S. C.

Exact dates the men will be called into service were not announced.

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CAT FINALLY TAKEN FROM 25-FOOT WELL

SEATTLE, Dec. 16—(AP)—Figaro is home again.

Figaro had been down a well for five days, and as his disposition worsened, his feline yowls increased. Finally, Mrs. Harry Wright located the yowls, found a forgotten, 25-foot well in the yard of an unoccupied house, and started trying to get her Figaro out.

The fire department reported it couldn't get a ladder down the well because of a roof over it—and besides, firemen said a law prevented them rescuing animals.

The King County Medical society said it couldn't get Figaro out—but offered to shoot him.

Then Jack S. Marden brought over a rope, slid down it, grasped Figaro and climbed back out of the well.

DEBATE BUREAU FORMED AT TECH

Advanced Speech Students Organize To Work High School Program

RUSTON, Dec. 16.—(Special)—Under the direction of Dr. Elton Abernathy of the speech department at Louisiana Tech, the Speakers Bureau, an organization composed of advanced speech students for the purpose of presenting debates on timely subjects before high school audiences in this area, has been formed.

Letters have been written to many debate coaches of North Louisiana schools offering to stage collegiate debates at no cost to the schools, it was announced by Dr. Abernathy.

"The Speakers Bureau hopes that high school faculty members in this part of the state will take advantage of our offer," Dr. Abernathy stated. "We believe that pre-college students will gather inspiration from the Tech debaters. In turn, our students should gain experience by speaking before such audiences."

The program made its debut last week when four students spoke at the Gibsland High School. They were Clyde Shrell, Ruston; James Hendricks, Shreveport; Minor Poimboeuf, Ruston, and Lois Read, Pollock. Others will alternate in future debates, it was said.

Although the Tech forensic students will debate any subject dealing with current events or trends, the topic argued before Gibsland students was: "Resolved, That Freedom of Speech and Press Should Be Restricted in Order to Stop 'Fifth Column' Activities."

"The Selma High School is next to be visited by the Techsters," Dr. Abernathy said.

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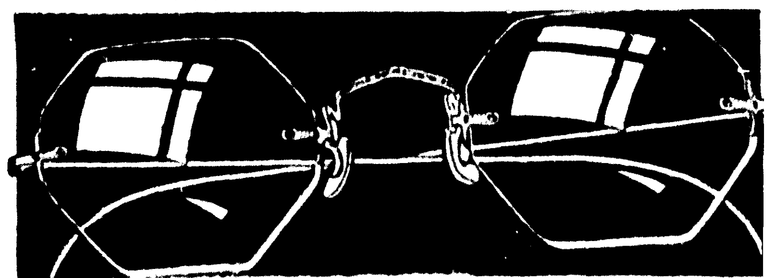

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UNION OFFICIAL HELD COMMUNIST

26 Other Leaders, Members Will Face Trial Before Organization

SEATTLE, Dec. 16.—(AP)—With one officer declared "guilty of Communistic activity" by a trial board, 8,000 members of a union at the huge Boeing Aircraft Company today awaited a December 28 meeting to hear further charges against 26 other officers and members.

A meeting of local 751 of the Aeronautical Mechanics Union Saturday approved its trial board's recommendation that Vice-President Donald R. Keppler be found guilty of the charges. The official flatly denied he was or ever had been a Communist.

Because the trial board declared other reports not completed, and because only about one-fourth of the union membership was present Saturday, a later mass meeting was called to hear charges against the 26. The accusations included Communism, activities inimical to the union's welfare and distribution of unauthorized literature. The board did not make public names of all the other men investigated or details of the charges.

The investigations stemmed from a series of charges printed about a month ago in the union publication, the Aero Mechanic. Editor Clifford A. Stone was suspended from his position because of the articles, but confronted Keppler in the mass meeting Saturday, urging that the membership approve the trial board's report.

The trial board, appointed by President John Bauer, was disavowed by him Saturday. Bauer sought to prevent reading of the report, explaining that he had "lost faith" in some of the board members.

The Keppler report was accepted by a vote of 421 to 341. However, in calling the December 28 meeting, the union decreed that it would be compulsory for all 8,000 members.

Keppler, indicating he might appeal the union's decision to the executive committee of the organization's parent body, the A. F. L. International Association of Machinists, branded charges against him as a "frameup."

"I am going to prove this is a company-sponsored program," he declared.

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MONROE VETERANS ATTEND FUNERAL

Members of the local Rodney J. Hobbs Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars participated in funeral rites conducted by the V. F. W. for Victor (Buck) Simmons, Bastrop, Sunday.

Mr. Simmons, who died Friday morning following a short illness, was a past official of the [illegible] V. F. W. Post. He served in the submarine and convoy service of the United States navy during the first World War.

Among local V. F. W. members who participated in the rites were Commander H. M. James, N. O. Freeman, junior commander; Joe Nelson, officer of the day; E. H. Miller, chaplain; J. W. Keen, acting senior commander; G. N. M[illegible], quartermaster; Fred Petit, Seavy [illegible], Captain Woodie [illegible], Clyde Bowers, M. W. Cummings, C. H. Walker, Ora Baxter, C. A. Hunt and A. M. Wagner.

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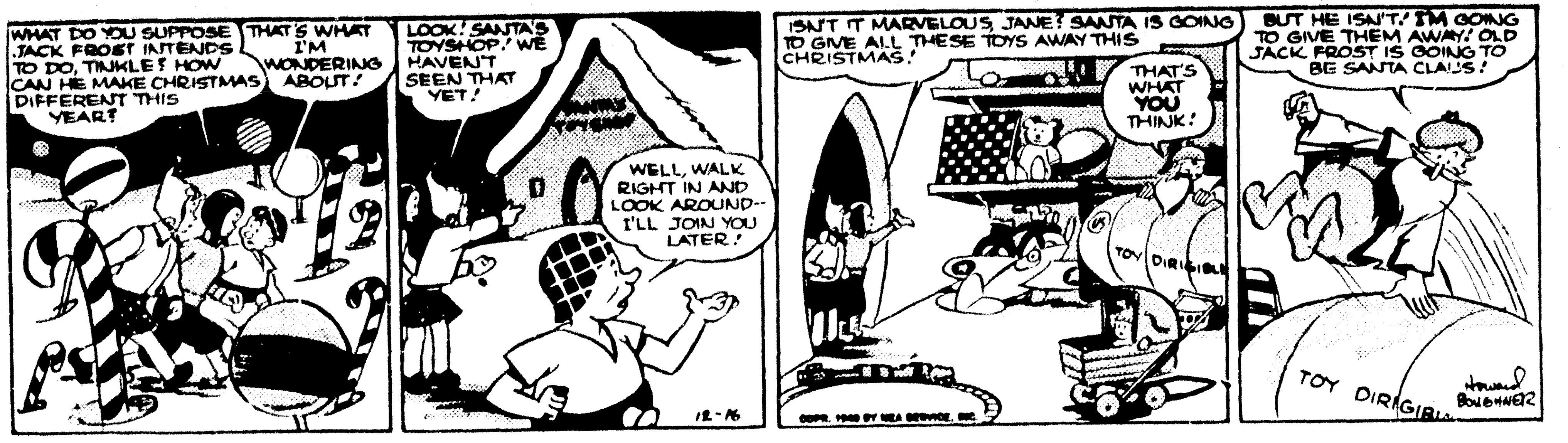
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LABOR OFFICERS DISCUSS PLANS

Council Maps Program For Coming Year At Sunday Session

Newly-elected officers of the Monroe Trades and Labor Council held their first meeting Sunday to map plans for the coming year.

James A. Newburn, elected president at the council meeting last Monday, presided.

Other officers are K. A. Calhoun, vice-president; F. C. Welch, recording secretary; C. O. Kovaleski, secretary-treasurer, and P. S. Johnson, sergeant-at-arms.

The new officers will be installed at the council meeting Monday, January 6.

Mr. Newburn said the officers plan an active program for the advancement of labor in Monroe and West Monroe during 1941 and asked the cooperation of the entire membership to assure successful fulfillment of the aims of the organization.

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MINISTER TALKS ON WAR SAVINGS

Canadian Finance Official Discusses Responsibilities Of Nation

TORONTO, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Finance Minister James Ilsley asserted in a speech today no one could deny the [illegible] of the [illegible] for the British empire in the war [illegible] many but that [illegible] most [illegible].

He spoke before the Canadian Club of Toronto.

His speech [illegible] war savings campaign [illegible].

[illegible]

The minister said the government would need to borrow next year [illegible] likely to be [illegible] than $[illegible]. The objective for war savings [illegible] would be $[illegible] a year, more than double the original objective, which was $50,000,000.

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JUNIOR C. OF C. BOARD WILL MEET

The board of directors of the Junior Chamber of Commerce will meet at 7:30 p.m. today in the offices of the local chamber, L. E. [illegible], president, announced.

Various committee reports will be heard at the meeting and a full discussion will be presented of plans for the inauguration of an extensive Safety Campaign program by the Junior Chamber in 1941, according to the announcement.

LABOR COUNCIL MAPS PLANS

News-Star Staff Photo.

Members of the executive board of the Monroe Central Trades and Labor Council are shown mapping out plans of the council for the ensuing year. In the picture, left to right, are K. A. Calhoun, vice-president; C. O. Kovaleski, treasurer; J. A. Newburn, president, and F. E. Welch, recording secretary. P. S. Johnson, sergeant-at-arms, was not present when the picture was taken.

The War Today

By DeWitt MacKenzie
(Associated Press Foreign Affairs Writer)

The Anglo-allied forces both in Libya and Albania were smashing the Italians back today in a defeat which, if continued, is likely to kill the chances of the axis powers to break Britain's control of the vital Mediterranean zone.

From the British standpoint the [illegible] themselves. And the battle of the Mediterranean [illegible] the whole conflict.

Fighting in Northern Africa [illegible]

The British fleet [illegible] Fascist [illegible] of the Mediterranean would be all but running amuck into the desert to beat the unhappy Fascists.

Virginio Gayda, authoritative Fascist writer, in using a wide brush to paint a silver lining into the Greek and Egyptian clouds of defeat, declares that they "are only episodes in the entire picture of the war."

"They are not Italy's whole war," he adds, "nor do they embody all Italy's offensive possibilities."

By way of emphasis Signor Gayda remarks resentfully that "Britain is carrying on her war with the vast means permitted by her riches."

These are very astute observations by one of Europe's most brilliant commentators. However, he presumably is writing to quiet the concern of an uneasy Italian public, and doesn't carry out an analysis of the position. Had he done so he must have arrived at this point:

It is precisely because of Britain's tremendous resources, plus her control of the seas, that she is banking on winning the war in the long run—that is, with the material assistance of America. The conflict is likely to be decided by economic strangulation and starvation, and the side which has the reserves is the side which will win.

It is true that Greece and Libya aren't "Italy's whole war." Britain took a far worse beating in Flanders than those to which Italy thus far has been subjected—and Britain is far stronger today than she was at that time.

Italy may come through, too, but there is a vast difference between Italy and Britain. That difference lies in those resources.

Mussolini is in grave danger of being strangled by the blockade. He is in a bad way economically, and is short of many essential supplies, including food.

The Fascist campaigns against Greece and Egypt were undertaken for the express purpose of breaking Britain's naval control of the Mediterranean—of smashing that ever-tightening blockade. The two operations were to be synchronized, and their success meant Britain's probable downfall.

Both these operations have produced Fascist debacles and the end is not yet. Italy's danger is that she has muffed the strategical operations which would have freed her from the strangulation of the blockade. There is a great question whether she has the power of resistance which will enable her to recover as Britain did.

Then there's another aspect to this picture. This is that while the world at large generally speaks of Britain as waging war alone against the axis powers, actually the empire has many staunch allies.

Who but small Greece has so thoroughly trounced Italy as to enable Britain to inaugurate a great offensive in the Mediterranean? And fighting with the British in Egypt and elsewhere are the citizens of numerous other countries. The offering in some cases is the widow's mite, but it is their all.

We mustn't forget that there are in London the exiled governments of Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Norway and The Netherlands. Then there is the Committee of Free Frenchmen under General De Gaulle.

So it's not Britain alone but Britain and her allies. Not overlooking that the various nations of the empire are in this war up to their necks.

And finally, Britain has the moral backing of many neutral nations who are following the lead of the United States. That moral influence isn't just a song lost on the desert air. Despite the chaotic condition of much of the world, the time hasn't passed when moral influence lacks power.

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Edward, Duke of Windsor, is an amateur magician, and is particularly adept at sleight-of-hand and card tricks.

ARMY OFFICERS ENLIST SOLDIERS

Group From North Louisiana Recruited At Monroe Office In Week

Sergeant H. B. McNemar, local army recruiting officer, announced the following enlistments from this section of North Louisiana into the regular army during the past week:

Reece Grant, Bosco, and William A. Howell, Clarks, air corps, MacDill Field, Tampa, Fla.; Cullen Guyton, Crowville, and Frank B. Tannehill, Downsville, Twenty-second Infantry, Fort McClellan, Ala.; Damon E. Revelle, Tallulah, infantry, Eighth division, Fort Jackson, S. C.; Marvin G. Gowan, Pioneer, field artillery, Fourth division, Fort Benning, Ga.

Sergeant McNemar also announced an unlimited number of vacancies in the following stations:

Infantry and field artillery, Eighth division, Fort Jackson, S. C.; infantry and field artillery, Fort Benning, Ga.; Twenty-second infantry, Fort McClellan, Ala.; air corps, MacDill Field, Fla.

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ENLISTS IN ARMY

EROS, Dec. 16.—(Special)—R. W. Brannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cornilus V. Brannon, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at the recruiting office located in Monroe, according to Sergeant H. B. Braswell, recruiting officer there.

Brannon will be transferred to San Diego, Calif., for six weeks basic military training prior to regular assignment.

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The parrots, tortoises, reptiles and birds of prey are found to be the longest-lived inmates of the London zoo.

LUMBER STRIKE ENDS IN TRUCE

Mills, Workers Reach Temporary Agreement In Pacific Northwest

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Buzzsaws in 11 mills of this Pacific northwest lumber center, idle for 11 weeks in a strike of lumber workers, started up again today as some 850 men returned to work under a temporary truce.

The members of the A. F. L. lumber and sawmill workers' union ratified an agreement whereby they obtained a five cents an hour wage increase and one week vacations with pay. They had been seeking a seven cents an hour boost.

The settlement was made possible when a temporary agreement was reached with the Fork Logging Company at Mineral. The union's local at Morton released the Tacoma union from a pledge to remain out until the strike at Morton was settled.

The strike problem thereby was lifted from the Pacific northwest labor front except at Morton and Snoqualmie. An early settlement was expected at Morton, where the Kosmos Logging Company employs 400 loggers and sawmill workers.

At Snoqualmie 800 workers are idle at the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company.

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WOMAN, TWO SONS ARE FOUND DEAD

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 16.—(AP)—A 75-year-old woman and her two sons by a previous marriage were found dead today, sprawled in different parts of their Scranton home, and Deputy Coroner John F. Kelly said it appeared they had died in agony after drinking rubbing alcohol.

The dead were Mrs. Eva Gudishkis, John S. Brown, 48, and Ignatz Brown, 45.

Police broke into the home after neighbors reported that a store operated by the woman and the oldest son had not been open yesterday or today.

The deputy coroner said two bottles that had contained the poisonous alcohol were discovered in the house. An examination of the stomach contents of the victims was ordered.

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NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WON'T BE AWARDED

OSLO, Norway, (Via Berlin) Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Nobel peace prize will not be awarded this year, it was announced today.

Before the war, Nobel peace award winners were selected by a committee of five named by the Storting, parliament of Norway, now Nazi-occupied. The last individual to win it was British Viscount Cecil of Chelwood in 1937. It went to the Nansen international office for refugees at Geneva in 1938 and was not conferred last year.

There were no Nobel peace prizes either from 1914 until 1919, when Woodrow Wilson won it, except for an award in 1917 to the International Red Cross.

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REV. SMYLIE DIES AT ARKANSAS HOME

DERMOTT, Ark., Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Rev. Nathaniel Smylie, 77, retired Presbyterian minister, educator, author and authority on Presbyterian church history, died at his home here Sunday night.

He was born at Fordoche, La., son of the Rev. John A. Smylie, one of the signers of the articles founding the Southern Presbyterian Church.

He was a member of the faculty of educational institutions in Mississippi, Kentucky and Arkansas.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Dr. Theo S. Smylie, formerly pastor of Evergreen Presbyterian Church, Memphis, and a daughter, Mrs. Charles Stark, Franklin, Ky.

Funeral services were tentatively set for Tuesday.

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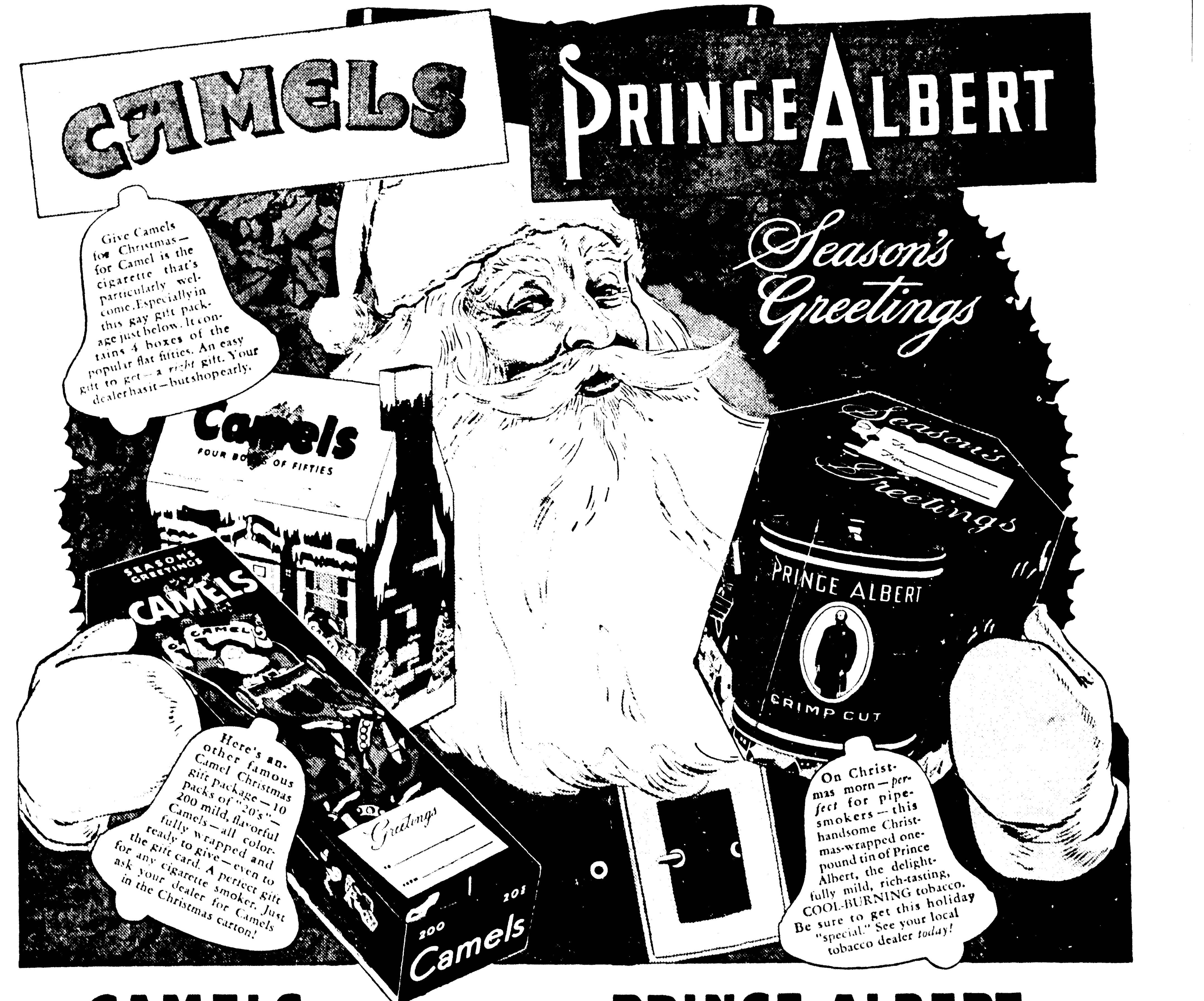
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Will Hitler Help?

It is six months since Italy entered the war, just four days before Paris fell and German troops went marching down Champs Elysees. That was more than nine months after Germany had invaded Poland and thereby brought on British and French declarations of war. It was early enough, however, for Mussolini to claim pickings as the axis partner of Hitler.

Italy's part was to defeat the British in the Mediterranean, destroy their "life line" from Suez to Gibraltar and make the inland sea Mare Nostrum in fact.

The African campaign was launched early in August with Hitler's full approval, and there were a few immediate victories, notably the British withdrawal from Somaliland and the Italian advance to Sidi Barrani. But the projected drive by Mussolini across Egypt to the Canal did not materialize.

Now the British have inflicted apparently fatal defeat upon the Italians in Egypt, and it is beginning to look as if the end is in sight for Italy, unless Hitler can find a way of rushing effective aid to the Italians on both the Albanian and Egyptian fronts.

The closing days of October saw the beginning of Mussolini's most humiliating experience. Apparently upon his own initiative—it has been frequently asserted, and never denied, that Hitler had no part in the plan—Italy, from her base in Albania, began the ill-fated invasion of Greece.

Today finds Italian troops, driven back by the Greeks in the only contest in this war in which almost hand-to-hand mountain fighting has been victorious against mechanized might, contesting for control of Albania, actually having lost an important seaport as well as much terrain. Italy is on the defensive. Strategic Greek bases are in the hands of the British.

In this Italian adventure the tide has turned. It has turned at a time when the British have obtained victories over the Italian navy in more than one engagement. A British blockade, stretching from west of Sardinia to Suez, cuts off the raw materials of which Italy is in dire need.

The Italian debacle on all fronts has been a blow to axis prestige. Rumania is under German control, it is true, but other Balkan states, notably Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Turkey, seem now less inclined to bend the knee to the axis powers. That accounts for the revival of the Turko-British trade pact and the significant silence of Soviet Russia, despite the trumpeting by the Reich that heralded the visit to Berlin several weeks ago of Premier Molotoff.

The question remains whether the axis—and that means, unmistakably, Hitler, the No. 1 man—can afford to let the Greeks triumph. Even Spain, which Hitler and Mussolini made a third Fascist state on France's frontiers, is flirting commercially with the British, and is seeking an American loan or bribe to stay out of the war.

Will Hitler feel that he must go to the aid of Mussolini and use German troops, tanks, planes in an attempt to conquer the Greeks?

How long can he countenance the threats from London to "wipe out Italy" as a belligerent without a direct show of power in her defense?

None of the experts has so far voiced a belief that Hitler can now come to Mussolini's aid with sufficient force to save Italy. Perhaps the experts are all wrong, but it appears as if things are going badly for German fury.

Coin For China

Precedent was established when Secretary of State Hull and Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau appeared before committees in congress voluntarily and explained a loan of $100,000,000 which the administration is making to the Chiang Kai-Shek government of China. Half of this is to be extended as credit from the Export-Import bank to enable China to buy war goods here to be used against the invading Japanese; half is to be employed in stabilizing the Chinese money unit, the yuan, which Japan is depressing.

The double-barreled loan to China was not only of importance as disclosing this country's determination to support China against Japan to the limit, but in Washington the approach of Hull and Morgenthau to congress was the cause of much comment. The two members of the cabinet asserted that the administration was within the law in making the loan and did not require congressional authorization, but that the administration wanted congress to know that the action was being taken.

This was an exceptional attitude for cabinet members to take and in this instance the conference with committees is interpreted as an indication that the White House is taking every precaution against a clash with congress during the winter.

The Greeks

Americans of Greek descent throughout this country are now experiencing an exceptional period of pleasure due to the congratulations pouring in upon them personally on all sides for the splendid showing of Greek arms. That pleasure becomes part of the pride they warrantably feel in the prowess of the little country from which they or their ancestors came.

Historically, the expression of world approval of Greek arms goes away back. It is now a century since both Europe and America prayed for Greek victory over Turkey. Even so great a figure as Byron died fighting for victory for Greece. Victory was then not to be.

Now the Greeks have struck an arrogant invader full in the face and smashed him back with a success as sensational as it was unexpected, and instinctively the world extends a hand of congratulation to all the children of the land that was first in antiquity and is demonstrating that it can still be out in front.

The Once Over
By H. I. PHILLIPS

WOMEN AND DEFENSE

("E. V. McCollum of John Hopkins told the meeting that the women of America could help in the defense program by seeing that their menfolks get proper food."—News item.)

Ladies, would you help defense?
Would you make your country stronger?
Feed your menfolks with more care—
Do not serve that hash much longer!

Do you want our coastline safe
From the batterings of Dover?
Have a heart and do not chirp,
"Honey, this was just left over."

Are you for preparedness?
Do you want the future sunny?
Cut that old line, "Sorry, but
We're just having cold cuts, honey!"

With a world in sore distress,
Would you ward off fear and fright here?
Don't greet hubby with that crack,
"Just some canned stuff for tonight, dear."

With the menace coming close
Are you ready for the question:
"Do you feed your husband stuff
That produces indigestion?"

War is spreading rapidly,
Would you help our land get ready?
Just remember that boiled ham
Breaks morale if it's too steady.

Soon may come the bugle call;
Off your man may march next minute;
Try to bear in mind that soup
Isn't too good when you thin it.

Fitness is our country's need—
Uncle Sam wants strong male creatures;
To those dinners give more time . . .
Don't stay through those "double features."

WITH AN EYE ON THOSE TIGHT LITTLE ISLES

As we understand it, all Hitler is trying to do is to see that all small nations get eminently fair treatment.

Many leaders seem to be concentrating on the battle between the Haves and the Have-Nots, but there are many people who think it may wind up in a fight between the Have-Nots and the Have-More-Nots.

K. K. L. says that a big figure in Washington is Ewen Ino.

RED CROSS LAYETTE

She sifted words for shining ones,
And knit them well in an imagery
Throughout the theme of softest wool
To please the heart of a refugee.

She wove the tune of a cradle song
With a prayer that the mother soon to be
Remembered that He of the manger birth
Was also the babe of a refugee.
Alice Randolph Adams.

The dramatic critics are so tough on new plays this season that actors no longer speak of getting the morning reviews. They just send out for the blitzkriegs.

(Released by The Associated Newspapers.)

Our Children
By ANGELO PATRI

LET JOY REIGN AT CHRISTMASTIME

"I know they would like toys. Jim wants a Punch and Judy and Belle wants another doll, but I think they ought to have useful presents especially at this time when there is so much need in the world. So many children haven't food and clothes enough. It doesn't seem right to buy toys for children. I'm going to spend the money for mittens and stockings and rubbers and handkerchiefs and things like that. Things they really need."

And if that isn't about the worst thing that can happen to a child at Christmas just tell me what is. Christmas is a time of magic. A time for nonsense, gay and hilarious. It is the time when all of us are invited to become as little children and play again. It is a time when we should enjoy simple, obvious things like warm fires, good smells, sweets, laughter and music, Santa Claus and loaded Christmas trees.

There is a year's worth of poetry to be crammed into that one day, so we cannot spare a syllable of it for what is known as usefulness. On this day the things that are useful can wait. The things that are essential must be given first place. The children must know the color and the odor and the taste of Christmas. They must feel all the happy mystery of Christmas Eve. They have to know the delight of creeping downstairs to the tree in the dawn of Christmas morning to find what the good Santa has left for them. All this creates a spirit of joyful content, a warmth of heart, a feeling of oneness with something very lovely, very rare, which is really the spirit of Christmas.

You cannot wear it, nor eat it, nor give it away. You can only feel it, and in feeling it know the sweetest happiness that can come to human hearts. If that isn't useful to children and grown people, what is?

If the children need clothes, get them if you can, but don't allow the purchase of them to mean Christmas for the children. It won't serve because there is no poetry and no magic in the idea. Take the few cents that are left and buy magic with it. Get a toy and a sweet and a book and make the packages gay with the lovely wrappings and ribbons and seals that come for the purpose, and let the child feel free for this one time of the pressure of need, of any necessity of the body. Stuff the stockings with nuts and raisins and top it with an orange, as your mother did for you long ago, and let the child feel free, for this one day, of the sorrow and grief of war. Let him dream of the Star and the angels' song, and of "peace on earth, good will toward men."

That will be most useful. It will bring happiness to your own heart and fill the child's spirit with a peace that will stay with him for years to come. We say Christmas is a day for remembering, but it is also a day for forgetting. We have the right and the duty this day to forget the things that are past and to look forward to the promise of good things to come.

It is especially important for the children, that we keep Christmas as it is intended to be kept—a day of magic, of joy, of love. We can be most useful to them that way.

Many children behave badly because they are not properly fed. Be sure that your own little boy or girl forms correct eating habits. Send for Angelo Patri's booklet "Eating," enclosing ten cents in coin. Address Angelo Patri, care of the Monroe News-Star, Postoffice Box 75, Station O, New York, N. Y.

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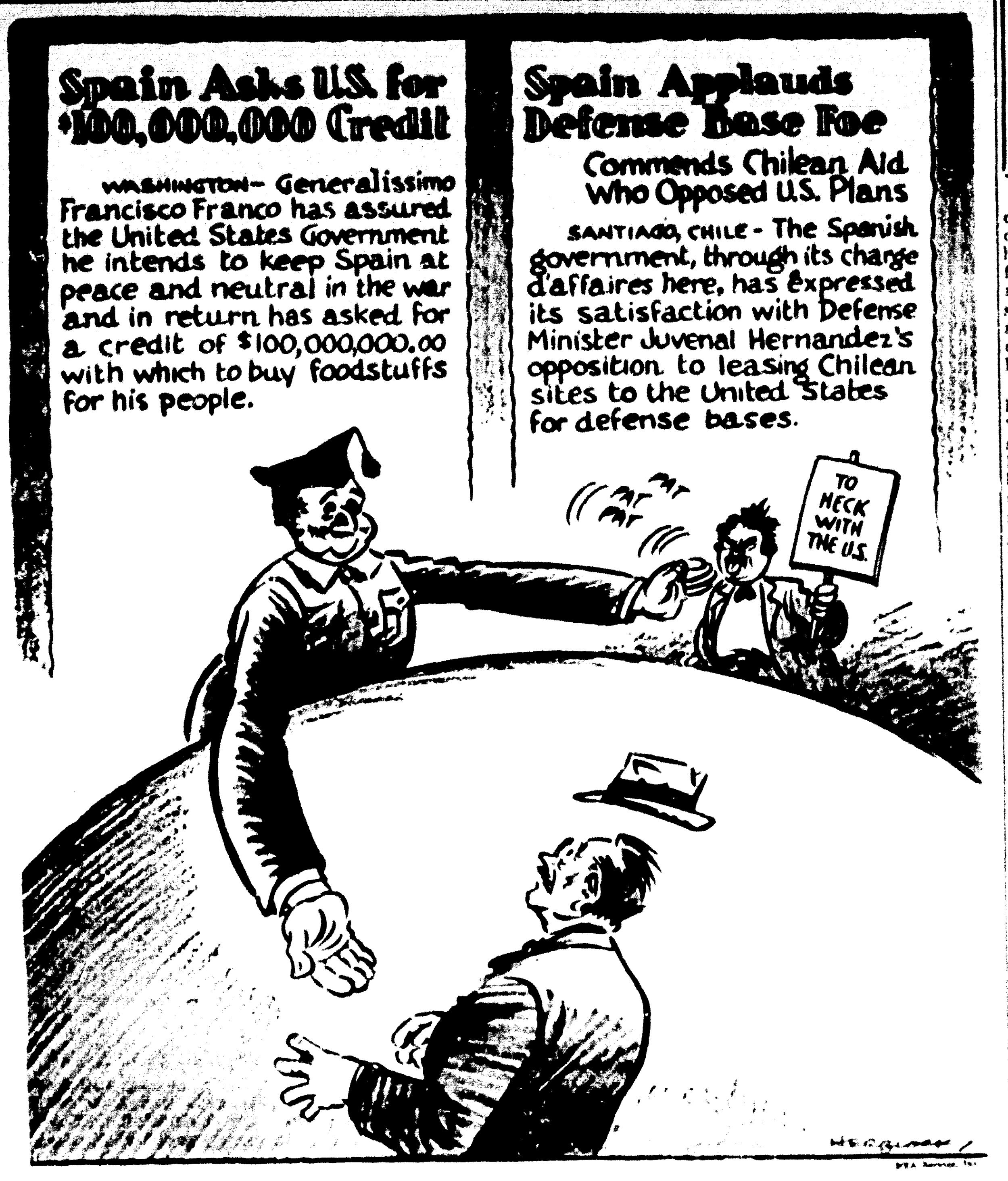
GENERAL FRANCO'S HANDS ACROSS THE SEA


Spain Asks U.S. for $100,000,000 Credit
WASHINGTON— Generalissimo Francisco Franco has assured the United States Government he intends to keep Spain at peace and neutral in the war and in return has asked for a credit of $100,000,000.00 with which to buy foodstuffs for his people.
Spain Applauds Defense Base Foe
Commends Chilean Aid Who Opposed U.S. Plans
SANTIAGO, CHILE - The Spanish government, through its charge d'affaires here, has expressed its satisfaction with Defense Minister Juvenal Hernandez's opposition to leasing Chilean sites to the United States for defense bases.
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TO HECK WITH THE U.S.

Washington Daybook
By Jack Stinnett

WASHINGTON—National defense has a brain trust. Don't get the idea, though, that it's anything like the group that started the New Deal winging on its way.

The national defense brain trust is composed entirely of laboratory magic dabblers and workshop genii. The official name of this gray matter corps is the National Inventors Council. The chairman is Dr. Charles F. Kettering. There are 13 others in the group. And theirs is the darndest job in the whole defense set-up.

If there is something that isn't on earth; if no one has ever thought of it before, even if no one knows whether it really exists—but it's needed—it's up to the council to produce it.

"What we need," says General Hopeful, "is a rocket torpedo that can be fired to a height of about five miles, and will level off, chase down a bombing plane and blow it to splinters."

And right away the inventors go to work.

"If we could just make airplanes out of plastics," says General Wisher, "and stamp them out at the rate of a thousand a day."

And another inventor, either on or under the direction of the council, starts retorts steaming and presses pressing.

Plastic Plane Is Near

These may sound like fictions, but the plastic plane is nearing reality and some experts say the aerial torpedo for defense against bombing attacks is just over the horizon.

These aren't the only duties of this new brain trust. One of the most important is sifting all ideas and suggestions that pour in from the public. Since the council's creation, more than 6,000 such ideas have collected and they are rolling in now at the rate of 125 a day—all dealing with methods for strengthening and speeding the nation's defenses. They range all the way from crackpot schemes that must have been conceived in a welsh rarebit nightmare to practical suggestions from embryo Edisons who are willing to contribute their bit to giving the United States a little hypo in the national defense sweepstakes.

All Are Secret

At present all ideas are secret and will remain so until the council, working with its army and navy advisors, has waded through them and tossed them aside as useless or approved them and thrown them into the great defense hopper.

Some of them are as wild as flying submarines. Some examples: Steel rams to be mounted on the schnozzles of whales trained to search out enemy submarines; sub-carriers—huge mother ships that carry a school of little guppy submarines in under-water stalls; cement sprays which, spread from planes, would turn the enemy into statues, and giant bear traps, whose jaws would snap up enemy tanks.

The list is endless but in spite of all the goofy ideas, there are plenty which are practical suggestions or hints that can be turned to use. Probably never in the history of this nation was there such a marshalling of ideas and inventions as that under the present program of this new brain trust.

U. S. Has Been Leader

According to Dr. Kettering, what it takes to outstrip any aggressor nation in inventiveness and spread of production, this country has.

He points out that it was in the United States that the airplane, the light internal combustion engines and the high-test gasoline that runs them, the tank, the submarine, the machine gun and the automobile—to name only a few of the engines of war—were invented. The United States also is birthplace and home of mass production. The aggressor nations have appropriated all these to use in modern battles, says the doctor. But with a springboard start like that, he feels, we will always be ahead of the hounds of war.

15 Years Ago

December 16, 1925

Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Franks announce the arrival of a baby girl in their home on December 15, whom they have named Maryland Joyce. Mrs. Franks will be remembered as Miss Lillian Day.

Mrs. Ben Downing will entertain a very attractive house guest during the holidays, her cousin, Miss Annie Joe Howell, of Chicago. An interesting event of the season will be Mrs. Downing's bridge in honor of Miss Howell on the afternoon of the twenty-eighth.

Mrs. R. A. Wilkins and children of Tallulah will be the holiday guests of Mrs. J. D. Wilkins of West Monroe.

Miss Audrey Scarborough will spend the holidays delightfully as the house guest of Miss Lola Lee [illegible] of Grand Saline, Tex.

Mrs. James McConnell, Jr., formerly a resident of New Orleans, but for the past two years a resident of London, England, is the guest of her two sons, James and Logan McConnell.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. [illegible] and two little daughters are spending the Christmas season in Washington, D. C., with their grandparents.

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U. S. GLASS ARTIST 'DIED FOR FRANCE,' FATHER IS NOTIFIED

ARLINGTON, Mass., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Arthur Dallin, 43, a stained glass artist who won a Croix de Guerre while fighting with the French army in the World war, "died for France" on June 12, his famous sculptor father, Cyrus Dallin, has been notified.

The state department forwarded a message from the American embassy at Vichy to the elder Dallin which said that the Boston designer died at Lazancy-Sur-Marne. He entered the 12th Foreign Legion regiment with the rank of second lieutenant a month after France entered the present war.

The American embassy said a Captain Duval of the 19th army corps at Belabbes, Algeria, had notified it of the "glorious death of this soldier" in a communication dated December 3. "His name appears on the list of losses of his regiment with the mention 'died for France,'" the message added.

The elder Dallin, whose creations are in some of the nation's biggest cities, is best known for his Indian statue, "Appeal to the Great Spirit." His son designed stained glass windows for more than 50 churches in this country.

Odd Items In The News

(By Associated Press)

BANK CRASH

EVANSVILLE, Ind.—Farmer Nathan Taylor rushed into police headquarters with a story about money being stolen at a bank. "A bank robbery?" asked Sergeant Frank Freimant.

"No, no," Taylor answered. "I said someone took $156 out of my pocket while I was in the bank. It's my Christmas money."

Freimant told him the police would try to get it back for him before December 25.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

OKLAHOMA CITY—Butch, a mongrel pup owned by Henry Van Busskirk, was permitted to carry home a can of dog food.

Now he practically camps at the store. As soon as a customer opens the door, Butch comes in, grabs a can of the same variety and runs home. The proprietor tried hiding that brand behind other cans but the pup dug through the pile and came up with his favorite.

Chasing the dog did no good. So the store owner just adds each of Butch's "purchases" to the Van Busskirk account.

RUN-AROUND

KANSAS CITY—Fred J. Kreld mistook a railroad right-of-way for a street during a sleet storm and turned down it.

He rode 10 blocks, then heard a train whistle and saw the headlight of a locomotive behind him. He tried to outrun the engine but his automobile stalled between the rails.

Trainmen saw his predicament. They were accommodating. They switched around the car.

FEATHERING THEIR NEST

OMAHA, Neb.—Six pigeons took a sign at an Omaha garage at its face value during a snowstorm.

They marched into the garage behind a car, made themselves at home in a well-heated office.

The sign outside read: "Easy parking."

EDUCATIONAL JACKPOT

OREGON, Ill.—Oregon township schools benefited from a slot machine raid.

Judge Philip Nye ordered that $242.76 taken from the machines be placed in the Ogle county treasury, the money to be used for school expenses.

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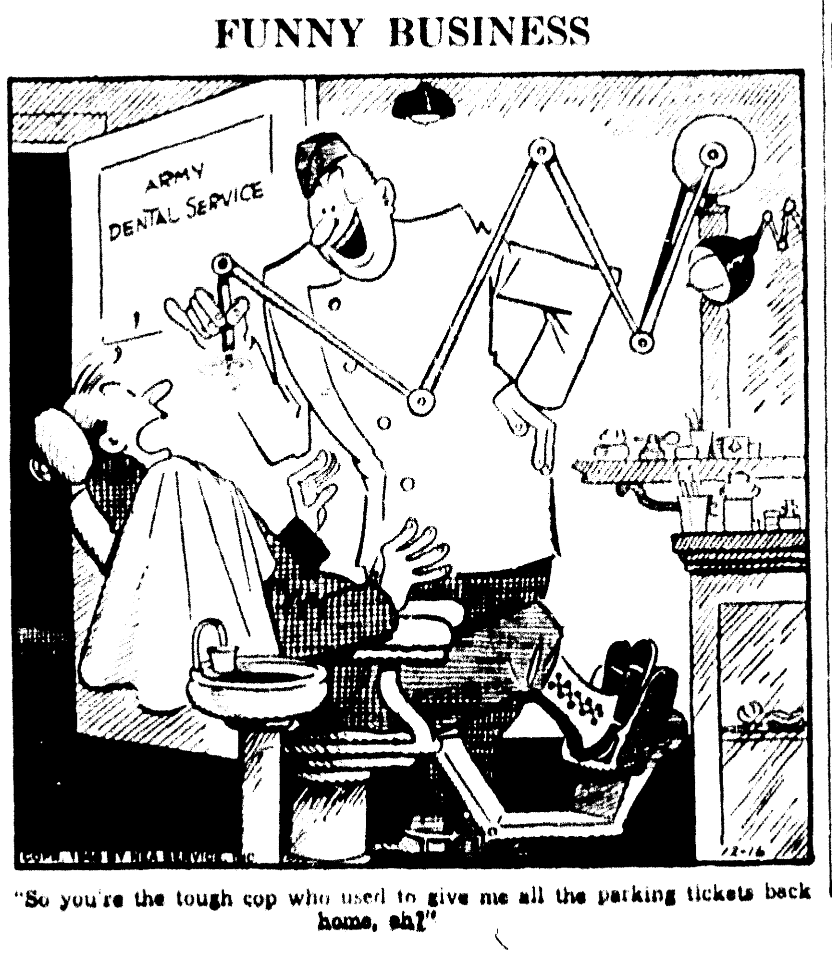
During 1938 Americans ate 275,000,000 gallons of ice cream and 3,000,000 gallons of assorted ices.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"So you're the tough cop who used to give me all the parking tickets back home, eh!"

Jimmie Fidler In Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 16.—In the face of Lois Andrews 'carryings-on here, denials won't convince this reporter her marriage with Georgie Jessel isn't floundering. . . . Jack Oakie has arranged an Eastern p. a. tour for spring. . . . Why did Cary Grant fly secretly to Washington, D. C., the other day for a one-hour talk with British officials?

The Johnny Weissmullers' fussing has resolved itself into a three months "trial non-separation" . . . The Bennett sisers—Constance, Joan and Barbara—have gone into formal mourning (all black for six months, all white for six more) for their recently deceased mother. . . . Heh, heh! "Friends" expect the Duchess of Windsor will look ten years younger after that "dental" operation.

Lucille Ball (Desi Arnaz' bride) will ask RKO for permission to change her name to Lucille Arnaz, a la Dorothy McNulty, who changed to Penny Singleton when wed. . . . Looks like Arline Judge—who has been under contract to 20th Century-Fox all the time, which other columnists didn't know or forgot—may be loaned to Columbia for "Tillie the Toiler." . . . Jeffrey Lynn's walk-out on "Jinx Woman" (he's under suspension) was because he figured the story was "all Brenda Marshall."

Wonder how that fem columnist who went so far out on the limb eulogizing the Charlie Chaplin-Paulette Goddard "happy home life" will explain herself soon? . . . Warners will continue to make pictures just outside London despite bombings; next will be "Trilby," starring England's Valerie Hobson. . . . Ha! Bing Crosby's contract gives him Thursdays off. Bob Hope has Tuesdays off, and the poor director of "Road to Zanzibar" must do his best on that schedule.

At Paramount the other day, one of the lot's younger writers, finding himself unexpectedly tete-a-tete with the great Cecil B. DeMille, mustered his courage and timidly asked for advice about the construction of story plot.

"The greatest example of plot creation I know," said DeMille, "is to be found in the first chapter of Genesis. First there is a great void. Then you separate light from darkness, establish your setting and create a male and female. If you can't go on from there, you're no writer!"

Mutterings: To the guillotine with those [illegible] who loaf at Hollywood and Vine and swap flip comments about every girl that passes . . . Suicidal impulse: To shout, just outside Clark Gable's dressing room, "Look at the big sissie—painting his face!" . . . What a temptation to refer to Billy Rose as "The Holm Woman's Companion" . . . Ode to mayhem: 'Your face is familiar, Miss Sheridan—weren't you once in pictures?" . . . Horrible thought: Harry Ritz—with lockjaw! . . . Why all the fuss about Charlie McCarthy—he isn't the only Hollywood doll that's bascially a dummy.

Let's Eat Dept. (another famous recipe for m'lady's cookbook): Chocolate Souffle (specialty of New York's "21 Club"): 2 1-2 squares unsweetened chocolate, 1 cup cold milk, 2 tablespoons melted butter, 3 tablespoons flour, 1-3 cup sugar, 3 egg yolks beaten very stiff and 3 egg whites ditto. Add chocolate to milk, heat in double boiler. When chocolate is melted, beat until well blended, then add butter and flour; stir constantly, cooking until thick. Fold in sugar, egg whites and egg yolks, pour into greased baking dish and put into pan of hot water. Set oven to 350 and let cook for 50 to 60 minutes.

The Hit Parade (this column recommends): Disc: "St. Louis Blues" (Bluebird). Alvino Rey's band and the King sisters lend an old song a new zing. . . . Magazine pictorial layouts: "The Bad Dreamer's Department" (Stage). Photo of a near-nude woman on a crowded street; if you've ever dreamed of being in a like situation, you'll frame this picture. . . . Also: Elsa Maxwell Turns Slapstick (Life). Should go a long way toward [illegible] her career. . . . Screen: "The Philadelphia Story" (MGM). Already recommended in this column, but good enough for a second reminder. . . . Book: Deems Taylor's "Fantasia" (Simon and Shuster). A fairy tale for grown-ups, with Walt Disney illustrations. . . . Song: "Did Anyone Call?" Catchy enough to be called for often. . . . Story: Gus Gilpatric's "The Queen of Tia Juana" (Collier's). A beauty and a bullfighter put over a smart Mexican double-cross.

Don't worry too much about the English. The other day, Madeleine Carroll, who has many relatives—and therefore many worries—in the British capital, received a cablegram from the London Daily Mail. Opening it apprehensively, she read: "Please cable at our expense for holiday symposium details of your plans for Christmas day." What price Hitler?

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IN NEW YORK

By George Tucker

NEW YORK—This is a belated election item. Its hero is Arthur Lake, who still is paying off around the CBS studios. It wasn't that the star of the Blondie series picked the wrong candidate. It was worse than that. "I'll bet you," said Lake, "that seven days after the election the banks will be closed and the streets will echo with the tramp of marching men." They tell me his friends nabbed each other trying to get close enough to get it on the line. The gag was a good one except that Lake's figures were off. Armistice Day was only six days after election.

Add actresses who wed newspapermen: Nancy Noland, Eileen O'Brien Moore, Gertrude Flynn, Esther Ralston and Gladys Glad. . . . Miss Noland is married to Sterling Noel of the N. Y. Journal; Mrs. O'Brien Moore is the wife of Mark Barron, AP drama critic; Gertrude Flynn in private is Mrs. Asa Bordages, whose husband is a World-Telegram feature writer; Esther Ralston is married to Ted Lloyd, Radio Daily columnist; Gladys Glad, ex-Follies beauty, is the wife of Mark Hellinger, newspaper writer and motion picture producer.

In our recent summary of outstanding performers, authors and composers, we named Bill Stern as our favorite sports announcer. Bill, it seems, figured in a wee bit of by-play the other day that had his honest face asweat for a few moments.

First, he asked Jim Crowley, Fordham's football coach, to submit to an interview on the air. Then because Joe E. Brown was in town for that day only, he asked Jim if he would mind deferring his guest appearance so he could bring Brown to the mike. That was okay with Jim.

But just before the broadcast Crowley himself sauntered in and said, "I didn't get my script, Bill, but I'm here anyway."

"Didn't you get a notice of postponement?" cried Bill incredulously. "I've asked Joe E. Brown for this show."

"Gee, he forgot," Crowley drawled. "I put him on a train for Boston an hour ago."

That put Bill down for a nine count, but springing back off the floor he grabbed a typewriter and was frantically trying to manufacture a new script when Crowley, the great big elephant, ushered a guffawing Joe E. Brown through the door.

Flame Bossett, the willowy model, has a new tag. . . . James Montgomery Flagg, the illustrator, calls her "the long-legged American beauty."

A little tavern scene the other night disclosed Jack Dempsey and the Hart twins sitting on lobster cocktails. Digging in savagely, Dempsey remarked: "[illegible] This course is one of Tunney's."

As Jane Fredrickson puts it, "A gossip talks about others . . . a bore talks about himself . . . A good conversationalist talks to you about yourself."

DEATHS LAST NIGHT

(By Associated Press)

EUGENE E. REED

MANCHESTER, N. H.—Eugene E. Reed, 74, former Democratic congressman, former mayor of Manchester and a member of the Philippines commission during President Wilson's administration.

MADAME BLANCHE MARCHESI

LONDON—Madame Blanche Marchesi, 77, opera and concert singer. Her singing career began in 1894 and as late as 1936 she sang in radio broadcasts in London.

THOMAS A. NEALE

INDIANAPOLIS—Thomas A. Neale, 70, for 38 years general treasurer of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America (A. F. L.).

PHILIP HISS

NEW YORK—Philip Hiss, 83, an architect who was chairman of the housing section of the Council of National Defense and special assistant for housing for the navy department during the World War.

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BY A HAIRLINE

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(AP)—It may have been a case of splitting hairs, but a motorist was fined for leaving the scene of an accident after a hair found on the windshield of a deserted automobile was identified as his.

Radio

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

Eastern Standard P. M.—Subtract One Hour for CST., 2 Hours for MT.

(Changes in programs as listed due to last-minute network corrections.)

5:45—Life Can Be Beautiful—nbc-wea
Tom Mix in Action — nbc-wjz-ea
W. Van Dyke Song [illegible]
Scattergood Baines, Serial—cbs-wab
Captain Midnight, Serial—mbs-chai
6:00—Southwest Serenade—nbc-wea
News; Voice Program—nbc-wjz-eas
[illegible]—nbc-blue-we
News Broadcasting Time—cbs-wab
News; Dance Music Orc.—mbs-chai
6:05—Edwin C. Hill — cbs-wabc-bas
Chicago Rhythm Rascals — cbs-wes
6:15—Piano Solo, News — nbc-wea
Bill Stern, Spts. Mus.—nbc-wjz-eas
Irene Wicker, Story—nbc-blue-we
Hedda Hopper on Movies—cbs-bas
Carol March and Piano — cbs-Dix
6:30—Capt. Healy, Stamps—weaf-onl
Reveries by Orchest.—nbc-red-cha
Dance Music Orchest.—nbc-wjz-eas
Bud Barton's Sketch—nbc-blue-we
Paul Sullivan's Comment—cbs-wab
Songs by Lowry Kelher—mbs-chai
6:45—Li'l Abner's Sketch — nbc-we
Lowell Thomas, News—nbc-wjz-ba
Tom Mix in repeat — nbc-blue-w
European War Broadcast—cbs-wab
Capt. Midnight repeat — mbs-midv
7:00—Fred Waring Time—nbc-weaf-ea
The Famous Jury Trials—wjz-on
H. Foote at Organ — nbc-blue-cha
Amos and Andy, Sketch—cbs-wab
CBS Concert Orch.—cbs-chain-we
Fulton Lewis, Jr., Talk—mbs-cha
7:15—Europe's War News—nbc-we
Three Romeos, Song—nbc-blue-cha
Lanny Ross Songs—cbs-wabc-bas
Here's Morgan Program—mbs-cha
7:30—Burns and Allen—nbc-weaf-ea
To Be Announced — nbc-red-we
Dancing Music Orchestra—nbc-w
Blondie and Dagwood—cbs-wabc-ea
Dancing Music Orchestra—cbs-we
Lone Ranger Drama—mbs-wor-ea
Sam Balter—to wgn-kwk-wkrc-wl
8:00—James Melton Conc.—nbc-we
I Love a Mystery, Drama—nbc-w
Those We Love, Drama—cbs-wa
Broadcasting Quiz — wgn-wor-wa
8:30—Wallenstein Orchest.—nbc-we
True or False, Dr. Hagen—nbc-w
Fields and Hall Program—cbs-wa
Boake Carter, Comment—mbs-ba
8:45—Song Spinners Quart.—mbs-w
8:55—Elmer Davis, News—cbs-wa
9:00—Dr. "I. Q." Quiz — nbc-we
You're in the Army Now — nbc-w
[illegible] Radio Theatre — cbs-wa
Wake Up, America—mbs-west-or
9:30—Show Boat of Radio—nbc-we
News; Basin St. Swings — nbc-w
Can You Top This?—mbs-New E
10:00—The Contented Conc.—nbc-w
Olmstead Dramas; Tenor — nbc-w
Guy Lombardo's Orches. — cbs-wa
Raymond G. Swing, Talk—mbs-w
10:15—Who Knows-wor-wgn-wol-c
Dancing Music Orchest.—mbs-ch
10:30—Dance Music Or.—nbc-weaf-e
Burns & Allen repeat—nbc-red-w
National Radio Forum — nbc-
Quartet; War News—cbs-wabc-e
"Blondie" in repeat—cbs-chain-w
To Be Announced (30 m.)—mbs-w
11:00—News and Dance—nbc-weaf-e
Fred Waring's repeat—nbc-red-w
News; Dancing Music Orc.—nbc-
Sports; Time and News—cbs-w
To Be Announced (1 hr.)—mbs-ch
11:15—Dance Orch & News—nbc &
12:00—Dance Orch. & News—mbs-ch

BASTROP-PONCHATOULA CONTEST HERE FRIDA

GAME SCHEDULED AT 8 P. M. HERE AFTER MEETING

Officials Of Two Schools Make Decision At Session In Alexandria

The Bastrop Rams, North Louisiana Class A champions, and Ponchatoula South Louisiana winners, will play for the state crown at the Northeast Junior College Brown Stadium at 8 p.m. Friday.

The undefeated Rams came out of their game with Homer last Friday in the North Louisiana finals in good shape and Ponchatoula will have had two weeks in which to get ready, so the South titlists should be in top condition too.

The Northeast Junior College stadium was designated the site and Friday night the time at a meeting of officials of the two schools in Alexandria Sunday afternoon.

Principal S. G. Lucky and Head Coach Dutch Binion represented the Bastrop school. They said before going to the meeting that they were trying to get the game for Monroe, as their fans had come to Monroe twice in the last two weeks in strong numbers.

Approximately 1,500 Bastrop followers came to see the Rams down Neville, and the Rams game with Homer found over 2,000 Bastrop people in the stands despite a cold driving rain.

Ponchatoula won its way into the finals by defeating DeQuincy, 7-0.

The Rams took their regular schedule in stride, having only three touchdowns scored against them in eight games. They walloped the Neville Tigers 20-0 in an easy manner.

In downing the 1939 state class A champions, the Homer Pels, the Rams turned on a convincing amount of power, deception, and aerial wizardry completely outclassing the Pelicans. The Rams rolled up 16 first downs to the Homer eleven's six. Four of the Pelican first downs came in the first half, with two in their 40-yard drive for a touchdown.

Coming back on the kickoff, the Rams scored their first touchdown and conversion to tie the game, and then beat the Homer forward wall unmercifully for the next two periods. In the final quarter they continued their power and aerial supremacy to finally drive over their second touchdown.

In the majority of years, in the last decade or so, the Northern winner has emerged victorious in the playoff. And together with this fact, the Rams will be playing in their lucky stadium, as they have beaten both Neville and Homer in the Brown stadium.

Tickets will go on sale Tuesday and Monroe fans will be able to get them from downtown stores while students may get them at their respective schools.

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National League

Montreal 2; Detroit 1 (overtime).
Toronto 4; Chicago 1.
New York Rangers 6; New York Americans 3.

American League

Indianapolis 5; Hershey 2.
Pittsburgh 2; Buffalo 0.
New Haven 4; Philadelphia 2.
Providence 8; Springfield 2.

American Association

St. Louis 3; St. Paul 2.
Tulsa 4; Omaha 3.
(No games scheduled tonight.)

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RED WINGS RUN INTO JINX AGAIN

Detroit In Second Place, But Can't Seem To Beat Two Clubs

(By Associated Press)

It seems to be out of one jinx and into another for the Detroit Red Wings. Last season the Chicago Blackhawks acted as Detroit's frying pan, and now the Canadian members of the National Hockey League are taking the place of the fire.

Detroit is a comfortable second in the league standing with only four defeats in 14 games, but so far the Wings have lost both of their games with the league-leading Toronto club and two out of three to the lowly Montreal Canadiens. That's one good reason why they're eight points behind Toronto. The other is that the Leafs have been beaten only twice in 15 starts.

The Canadiens bumped off Detroit for the second successive time yesterday afternoon, winning 2-1 on an overtime goal by chunky Tony Demers. The afternoon contest attracted 9,332 fans, the largest crowd to see Montreal perform at Detroit in several seasons. Joe Carveth gave the Wings an early lead with the aid of his rookie line-mates, Les Douglas and Archie Wilder, but a nice pass by Toe Blake enabled Joe Benoit to tie the score in the second period and late in the extra session Demers blasted a long shot between Goalie Johnny Mowers' pads.

That setback enabled Toronto to double its margin over the Wings by winning two week-end games from Chicago. The Leafs had a hard tussle Saturday, winning 2-1, but the Blackhawks were left in bad shape and went down 4-1 before a late assault in the Sunday game. Dave MacKay, rookie defenseman, suffered a [illegible] charley horse after crashing into a goal post and Center Cully Dahlstrom hurt a shoulder. Johnny Mariucci was recalled to replace MacKay Sunday but he couldn't stop the Leafs when they went out to break a 1-1 tie. In the last five minutes of play Sweeney Schriner scored the deciding goal and Nick Metz added two more.

Chicago remained tied with the idle Boston Bruins for third place while the New York Rangers moved up to one point behind them with a 6-3 triumph over the New York Americans in the game that marked the 15th anniversary of the introduction of big-time hockey into New York. Three first-period goals by Lynn Patrick, Bryan Hextall and Clint Smith decided that game in a hurry, then Hextall went on to score twice more. Two rookies, just up from Springfield, starred for the Amerks. Fred Thurier made two of their tallies and Fred Hunt drew assists on all three.

The standings:

Club	W	L	T	Pts.	G	OG
Toronto	13	2	0	26	50	24
Detroit	7	4	4	18	36	29
Boston	5	5	3	13	44	35
Chicago	5	7	3	13	31	38
N. Y. Rangers	5	7	2	13	37	38
Montreal	4	8	2	10	29	41
N. Y. Americans	3	9	2	8	24	48

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JESUITS WILL MEET LAKE CHARLES '11'

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Jesuits High of New Orleans and the Lake Charles Wildcats will meet here next Saturday night for the State Class "AA" football title.

Jesuits qualified Saturday night with a 13-6 victory over Istrouma High at Baton Rouge before 10,000 fans. Lake Charles has beaten Fair Park of Shreveport to enter the finals.

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ACTRESS ESCAPES GOING UNDER KNIFE

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Olivia De Havilland, who was rushed here by plane Saturday from Albuquerque, N. M., after she was stricken with appendicitis in the midst of a movie preview junket, will not have an operation.

Dr. Verne Mason, her physician, said he expected her to leave the hospital soon.

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QUITE A CONTRAST

The first airplane flight made in 1903 was less than a mile. Today, 18 major airliners in the United States travel more than 800,000,000 passenger miles, carry 2,000,000 passengers and connect 300 cities annually.

DARTMOUTH WIN VOTED AS TOP SPORTS ODDITY

Nation's Editors Point Out Distinctiveness In Their Ballots

By Bill Boni

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Dartmouth's delayed football victory over Cornell, already chosen the No. 1 upset of the year, was singled out again for special notice today as 1940's prize sports oddity.

The country's sports editors, while deeming some score other screwball episodes worthy of mention, were strong for the "fifth-down" game with its manifold angles as the piece de resistance. Sixty of them had it somewhere on their list, and most of them put it right on top.

It was, of course, distinctive from the rest as a three-day wonder. The first day the boys wondered how Dartmouth could have held Cornell to a 7-3 score, the second day they wondered how a college education could have missed teaching Referee Red Friesell how to count beyond four, and the third day they wondered how Dartmouth could have managed to beat Cornell by 3-0.

From a fine supplementary selection of freak incidents, it was difficult to determine a definite second. The honors appeared divided fairly evenly among Ed Oliver's disqualification from the United States Open golf championship for being too early, rather than too late, off the tee; Jimmy Wilson's theft of second base in the World Series, and the attempted tackle of Tommy Harmon made in the California-Michigan game by a misguided celebrant who, like many more sober and athletic citizens, missed his mark.

The Cleveland "cry-babies" and their petition to Alva Bradley; "Bummy" Davis' below-the-belt attack on Fritzie Zivic, which resulted in his suspension from the ring, and Purdue's loss of three Western Conference football games in 58 seconds including a defeat by Ohio State on a field goal kicked by an ineligible player—all came in for their share of notice.

One oddity that might have won more support with more publicity was the five under par performance by a ladies' threesome playing the 130-yard [illegible] hole at the Milburn Country Club in Kansas City. Mrs. H. H. Silver[illegible] [illegible] first and [illegible] a hole-in-one. Mrs. E. F. DeVries followed with another, and Mrs. J. C. F[illegible] a tee shot that stopped four [illegible] from the cup for an easy deuce and a combined score of four shots when par was nine.

Surveying the rest of the sports year, the editors recalled:

The Poughkeepsie [illegible] after the crowd had gone home and [illegible] the [illegible] attack on Umpire Magerkurth by an infuriated Dodger fan, Joe Hunt [illegible] with Frank Ku[illegible] Ohio State's charge that Coach [illegible] [illegible] team with [illegible] [illegible] the unsolved theft of the Washburn College squad's tackling dummies; the [illegible] safety taken by Boston College's Charles O'Rourke in the Georgetown game; Paul Christman's completed forward pass against Oklahoma on which Missouri lost 23 yards.

There also were several votes for Max West's home run for the National League in the All-Star game; not merely because Max hit it, but because Manager Bill McKechnie named the Nationals' lineup 48 hours before the game, made the only change, substituting West for Mel Ott, 20 minutes before game time, and then saw his last-minute starter hit a four-bagger his first time up.

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STANFORD SQUAD TURNS DOWN PAY

$50 Vacation Compensation Will Not Be Considered By Players

PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Stanford's Rose Bowl football team, the first to be eligible for the Pacific Coast conference $50 vacation pay compensation, isn't going to take it.

President Ray Lyman Wilbur of the university, who commended the plan, announced there would be no present participation by the team, which resumes practice today for its New Year's clash with Nebraska.

Under the recently-adopted rearrangement, Rose Bowl players who could prove they had to give up Christmas vacation jobs to practice for and play in the contest would be granted $50 each by the conference.

Announcement of the plan after a conference meeting last week aroused widespread comment and some criticism that it amounted to subsidization of football players.

"We feel," Dr. Wilbur stated, "that any question regarding the conference rule will be entirely cleared up when its scope, and the safeguard surrounding it are fully understood and considered, and that ample time should be allowed for that purpose."

Edwin N. Atherton, conference commissioner, said that some quarters had interpreted the plan "as a means of subsidizing our players."

"The conference faculty heads regret such an unwarranted interpretation but feel that their action was open and above board."

Coach Clark Shaughnessy was worried because influenza had weakened some of his first string players and because it appeared no hard workouts could start before the end of the week.

"We will not be able to scrimmage before Friday," the mentor gloomily declared. "We may not be able to begin all of the hard work I had planned even that early."

Sugar Bowl Heads Dispel Conference Tieup Talk

Southeastern Loop Passed Sponsors By In Beginning Of Contests

By Mortimer Kreeger

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—(AP)—They may do as they please in Pasadena or Dallas, but let there be no loose talk about any impending Sugar Bowl tieup with the Southeastern Conference or any other outfit.

In some quarters the early binding of Tennessee to a Sugar Bowl agreement has been naively heralded as a sign the annual affair was headed for a setup which would place the Southeastern champion on the field here each New Year's day.

Significantly, one scarcely hears the thought mentioned in New Orleans. It's a dead issue.

When it was a weak and puny infant, the Sugar Bowl tugged at the conference's skirts, seeking a godmother. 'Twas to no avail. The Southeastern feared presence of such a brat would end the gratifying attentions of the gentlemen from California, who said it with roses and $90,000.

Forced thus to paddle its own pirogue, the Sugar Bowl has thrived on the exercise.

Footloose and fancy free, the New Orleans bowlmen have roamed America and brought the best available teams from California to Pennsylvania, Massachusetts to Texas.

They have been able to make "matches"—the Texas Christian-Carnegie Tech affair could be arranged two years ago because the teams were anxious to get at each others' throats.

The possibility of any kind of a tieup is so unthinkable that Fred Digby, sports editor of the New Orleans Item and a member of the Sugar Bowl executive committee, drew deep umbrage from a seemingly harmless suggestion by Dr. G. D. Humphrey, retiring president of the conference, that its members work with bowl sponsors to preserve high standards of competitions in the annual games.

"I don't know what is back of Mr. Humphrey's remarks," he said. "But if he is thinking of a tieup whereby the conference team selected to play in the Sugar Bowl selects its opponent, as is done by the Pacific coast champions, he can forget it.

"The Sugar Bowl has had the matter up before and its members were unqualifiedly opposed to it. * * * The team or coach selected will pick the opponent easiest to beat. That's what the coast champion has been accused of doing * * * by its own people."

Sugar Bowl officials won't comment on what other bowls do. Privately, they'd probably be the happiest people in the country if the Big Ten would sign up with the Rose Bowl. This would mean that a conference which has not been playing in any post-season games would engage another whose champion has been committed to the Rose Bowl anyhow.

The Sugar Bowl's field would be just as wide, with the chief competition withdrawn.

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PYTLAK MAKES FIELDING MARK

Newly Traded Red Sox Handled 571 Chances Without An Error

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Frankie Pytlak, the catcher traded last week by Cleveland to Boston, and the New York Yankees and Cleveland Indians shared fielding honors during the 1940 American league season, according to the official circuit averages released today.

While no special prize is awarded for fielding in any position, Pytlak's feat of handling 571 consecutive chances without an error was conceded to be the brightest fielding performance of the campaign. Pytlak ran up that remarkable string in games from September 10, 1938, to September 18, 1940, to wipe out the previous major league mark of 452 straight chances set by Gabby Hartnett of the Chicago Cubs.

Pytlak handled 265 chances in 1940 for a fielding mark of .996 through 58 games, making only one error. This gave him the top spot among circuit backstops.

New York tied Cleveland in the battle for team fielding honors, the average of each club being .975. St. Louis was only a point off that pace. Philadelphia was at the bottom of the standings with a team defensive mark of .960.

Bill Dickey of the Yanks fielded .994 in 102 games, his performance giving him a 13th straight season in which he has caught 100 or more games. This cracked the mark of 12 at which he had been tied with Ray Schalk and Mickey Cochrane.

George McQuinn of St. Louis retained his first base fielding honors, topping initial sackers with a mark of .992 for 150 games, one point under his 1939 record. Bobby Doerr of Boston rose to the top among second basemen with an average of .977 while Harlond Clift of St. Louis led third sackers at .959. Lou Boudreau, Cleveland's young sensation, set the pace for shortstops, with an average of .968 through the full run of 155 games.

Walter Judnich of St. Louis topped the outfielders with a mark of .989 for 133 games, with Vern Kennedy of the same club leading the hurlers with a perfect average of 1.000 based on 63 chances in 34 games. Thirty-one pitchers had perfect fielding marks, with Kennedy handling the most chances.

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SOUTHEASTERN WINS N. O. BENEFIT GAME

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Southeastern College freshmen of Hammond defeated a New Orleans all-prep football eleven coached by Lowell Dawson of Tulane university 19-6 yesterday in a benefit game before a crowd of 2,500. Albert Ramboli starred for Southeastern.

TITLE-SEEKERS TRAVELING FAST

Basketball 'Barnstorming' Gives Fans Early Idea Of Strength

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(AP)—This business of basketball "barnstorming" before the regular conference seasons get underway, has reached the stage this season that some line on the strength of title contenders in nearly every major section may be known before the new year.

Influenced by the financial success of the doubleheader programs at New York's Madison Square Garden, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago and other centers, pre-season tours have become an important part of the program in the past few years. Before that they were mostly informal affairs in which a big team would spend part of the Christmas holidays playing smaller schools in some other sections.

So far this season such outstanding teams as Oregon, Oregon State, Oklahoma A. and M., West Virginia, Georgia and Texas have gone visiting into other sections to play teams of equal ranking.

The first of the big-time double bills was staged in the Garden last Saturday with 18,325 fans turning out to see Long Island University whip Oregon 45-41 and the Oklahoma Aggies deflate highly-touted City College of New York 32-24. That was a record basketball crowd for New York but only by seven spectators.

This week's doubleheader program begins at Chicago tonight with Georgetown meeting Loyola and U. C. L. A. playing De Paul. At Philadelphia Tuesday Oregon meets Temple and Oklahoma A. and M. plays St. Joseph's. On Thursday it's Clemson-Maryland and Oregon-Baltimore University at Baltimore and at New York Saturday Oklahoma meets St. John's of Brooklyn and Syracuse encounters New York University.

That's just a small part of the intersectional program as the touring teams get in a few other odd games and others play one-night stands. Oregon, which incidentally is hailed as the team to beat in the northern division of the Pacific coast conference, also plays Duquesne and Bradley. Oklahoma A. and M. takes on George Washington Wednesday then hurries home for a Saturday clash with Southern California which plays Rice on its way east. Pitt's mid-western jaunt includes games with Wisconsin, Illinois and Northwestern. Kentucky, winner of the Southeastern conference title last spring, visits Nebraska, Creighton and Kansas State.

Oregon State, twice winner over Utah State, plays two games with Colorado then winds up the week meeting Colorado State, Colorado College and Denver in succession. Marshall and New Mexico also play these last three teams in a round-robin program. Other major intersectional tilts include U. C. L. A.-Bradley, Louisiana State-Rice, and Indiana-Stanford.

Of course, these games won't prove just how the teams rate in their own groups, but they'll be helpful and a good many other encounters are on the list to help separate the strong teams from the weak.

Conference competition is scheduled only in the South, where Clemson plays William and Mary, Richmond and Maryland, but here are a few of the important non-league games:

Monday—Davidson-George Washington, South Carolina-Erskine, Texas Aggies-Sam Houston, Indiana State-Iowa. Tuesday—Brooklyn-N. Y. U., Lafayette-Princeton, Wabash-Purdue, Olympic Club-Stanford. Wednesday—Williams-Yale, Northwestern-Butler. Thursday—Arkansas-Murray Teachers, Westminster-Missouri, Michigan-Notre Dame. Friday — Princeton-Rutgers, Clemson-George Washington, Arkansas-Southwestern, Purdue-De Paul. Saturday—Duke-George Washington, Iowa-Detroit, Wisconsin-Marquette, Grinnell-Iowa State, Ohio State-Michigan State, Purdue-Loyola (Chicago); Western Washington-University of Washington.

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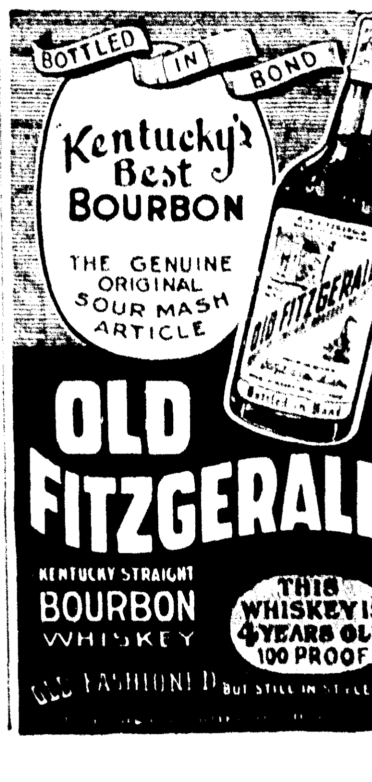
SPORTS MIRROR

(By Associated Press)

Today a year ago—National Football League announced new record attendance of 1,280,332.

Three years ago—College rowing coaches proposed to shorten distance of Poughkeepsie varsity intercollegiate championship race from four to three miles.

Five years ago—Joe Louis voted No. 1 ranking athlete of year in fifth annual Associated Press poll; Lawson Little runnerup for second year.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CHAMP, M'COY READY FOR BOUT

Louis Expected To Knock Out Challenger In Early Rounds Tonight

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Champion Joe Louis is an almost unanimous choice to win by an early knockout tonight in his scheduled 15-round battle with Challenger Al McCoy in the 12th defense of his heavyweight crown.

EXPECTED TO SIGN

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Unless virtually complete plans collapse, Joe Louis and Billy Conn will sign for a heavyweight title fight next June immediately after Joe disposes of Al McCoy here tonight.

As the thing now stands this tussle will be staged either in New York, Chicago or Pittsburgh, with Pa Knickerbocker's village 1 to 6 to get it.

One of the few dissenting opinions comes from the McCoy camp where the Maine-born battler and his entourage are promising to give Louis a tussle over the entire route in this first heavyweight title battle ever to be fought in Boston or New England.

But the fistic experts and the man in the street, who is expected to pack the garden to capacity tonight, are stringing along with the champion and, failing to find any McCoy money, are laying their bets on the round when The Bomber will administer the coup-de-grace. Most of the wagers, incidentally, are on the first few rounds.

The main bout is scheduled for 9 p.m. (CST) and will be broadcast from coast to coast on the NBC Blue Network.

The first meeting between the pair was set for noon today when the customary weighingin ceremonies and medical examinations were scheduled.

The pull in the weights would appear to favor the champion, but Louis spikes that theory by recalling that most of his few ring troubles have been caused by smaller men.

While the consensus is for an early knockout, no one has questioned McCoy's courage and ability and the challenger, in the best physical shape of his career, is depending on these factors to aid him in getting an even break or upsetting the champion.

Louis is following his customary practice of making no predictions, but the indications are that he will be looking for a quick kayo from the opening gong, for, as Trainer Jack Blackburn observes, "the longer they linger, the more dangerous they get."

"I'm ready," is Joe's terse summation of the situation.

"I've waited a long time for this and I'll be in there pitching from the start," McCoy said. "I'll be in there to win and anyone that think's I'll be an early knockout victim is dead wrong."

The challenger found a new supporter to give him an outside chance today in the person of Billy Conn, who gained a decision over McCoy here a couple of months back. Conn, who is here to challenge the winner, thinks it will be a Louis victory, but conceded McCoy a bright chance.

"He's no popover," conceded the personable Billy. "I fought him recently and he has plenty of ability and courage."

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EVANGELINE LEAGUE REELECTS DALFERES

LAFAYETTE, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Directors of the class D Evangeline baseball league reelected Judge A. W. Dalferes of Lafayette president. The 140-game season will open April 15 and close September 2.

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EVEN SERIES

NATCHITOCHES, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Louisiana Normal College Demons evened their basketball series with Southeastern State of Durant, Okla., with a 40-28 victory Saturday night.

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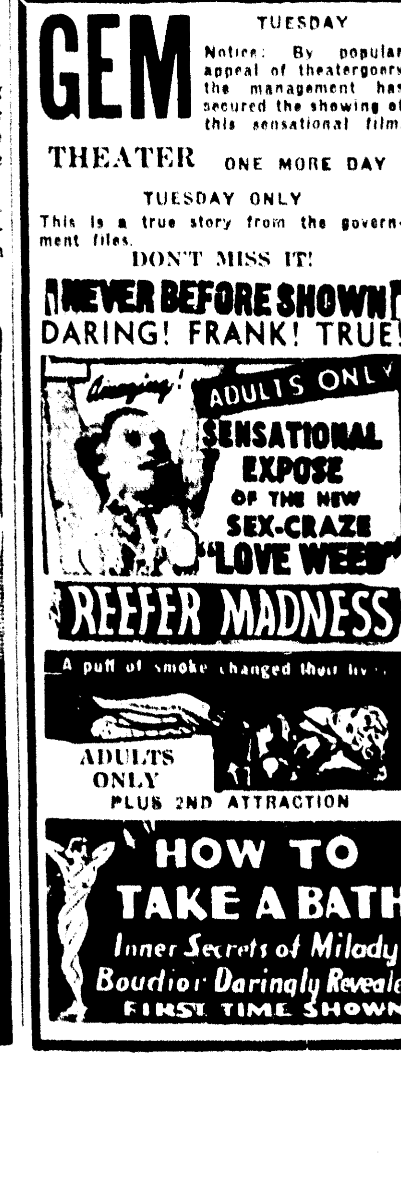
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Eddie Brietz

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Broadway melody: Brooklyn and the Yankees are the favorites in Jack Doyle's big league winter book. . . . If you get up early enough, you can see Alice Marble (in shorts) alternately jogging and walking around the reservoir in Central Park. . . . Big John Kimbrough's eyes nearly popped out of his head when he was introduced to Ethel Merman, the stage star, at a 52nd street hot spot the other night. . . . Max Baer left the cast of "H'Ya, Gentlemen" in Boston Saturday night and they're saying the show will never see Broadway. Max may sign for a Billy Conn fight any hour now.

LOUIS VS. M'COY

As for the fight in Beantown,
Your agent has a hunch
That Joe can pick the winning round
And also name the punch.

SPORTS BULLETIN BOARD

Now that the Democrats have taken charge in Rhode Island, Ed Foster, executive secretary of the N. B. A. and one of the smartest gents in boxing, may lose out as state boxing commissioner. . . . Howard Hobson, coach of the visiting Oregon U. cagers, says Ned Irish, Madison Square Garden promoter, and Hank Luisetti have made basketball. . . . Rhoten Shetley of the Brooklyn Dodger backfield wants to do a Davey O'Brien and become a G-man. . . . Against Ken Overlin Friday night, Steve Belloise came out with his right cocked for action. . . . When the fight ended, the right was still cocked for action. . . . What was he saving it for—the junior prom?

BLACKOUT

The West Salem (Wis.) cagers were doing all right against Onalaska the other day until the Lights went out. . . . First Lamp went to the sidelines with an injury. . . . Then Light went out on fouls. . . . Salem lost 25-18.

Where was Salem when the Lights went out?
Out on the hardwood getting kicked about.

ON THE CUFF

M.G.M.'s scouts have decided Billy Conn has plenty of oomph and will sign him up this week. . . . Benny Leonard takes another flyer in the restaurant business when he opens a spot on Seventh avenue tomorrow night. . . . Tony Canzoneri, ex-lightweight king and idol of N. Y. fans, has gone into the refereeing biz and is available for bookings. . . . Mike Jacobs will spend the holidays in Florida, but the folks needn't get all agog. Mike has abandoned plans for staging a show down there this winter. . . . Ken Overlin will decorate the family Christmas tree at Decatur, Ill., with $100 bills—one for each member of the family. . . . Mrs. Lew Jenkins (Beautiful K-k-katie) is in from Texas for the Zivic fight Friday night.

TODAY'S GUEST STAR

Don M'Dowell, Rapid City (S. D.) Journal: "Fred (Ripper) Ray, former South Dakota U. grider, has won his wings with the Canadian air force. . . . Now, what'll they dub him—'Death' Ray, or the 'Grim Ripper'?"

VERY FITTING

Dizzy Dean, who spent last summer on a farm at Tulsa, Okla., must have liked the idea. . . . Comes news that he has bought one of his own—down in Yell county, Arkansas.

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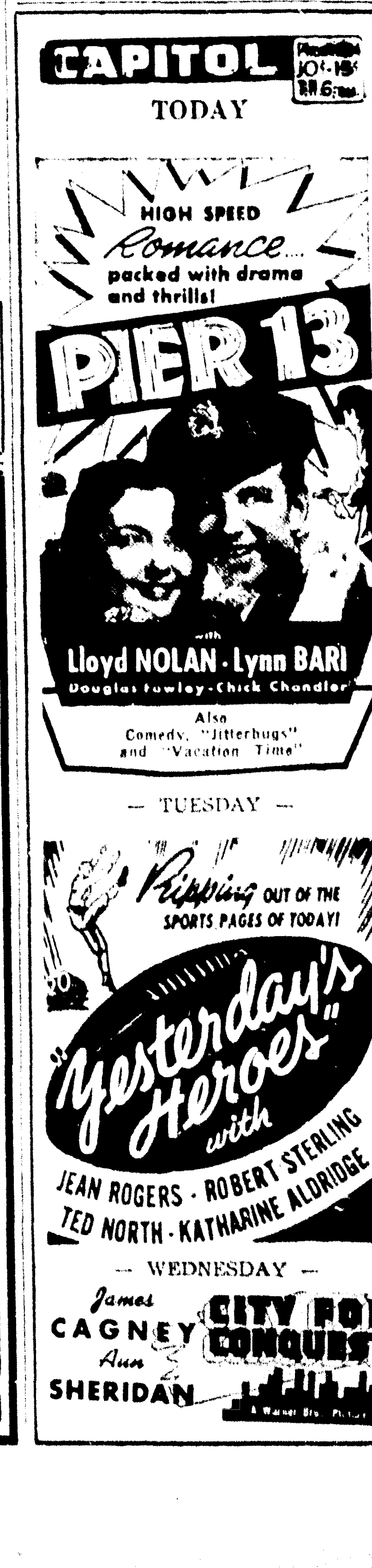
WOUNDS ARE FATAL TO QUAIL HUNTER

SHREVEPORT, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Gunshot wounds received accidentally while quail hunting Saturday were fatal to Austin L. Wilhite, 32.

Dr. Charles A. Boone, deputy coroner, said a load of birdshot struck Wilhite when his brother, C. B. Wilhite, stumbled on a cotton row and the latter's shotgun discharged.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NELSON WINNER OF MIAMI OPEN WITH 271 SCORE

Little Ben Hogan Captures Vardon Trophy For Year's Consistency

By Larry Rollins

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 16.—(AP)—"Lord" Byron Nelson, he of the poetic golf swing, headed westward today with the $2,500 top Miami Open check, but bereft of the prized Vardon trophy.

Nelson played 72 holes of golf in nine strokes less than par for a 271 that gave him a final one-shot margin in the $10,000 Miami Open, but the year's honors for consistency went to little Ben Hogan of White Plains, N. Y.

Hogan finished third, four strokes behind Nelson, and his $1,000 prize ran his total earnings for the year to $10,655. Nelson was next at $9,653 and Sam Snead of Hot Springs, Va., third with $9,206.

The Vardon trophy, awarded annually by the Professional Golfers Association to its most consistent member, changed from Nelson's hands to Hogan's.

Not even Nelson's closest competitors begrudged him the $2,500 here, for Lord Byron was on his game—and that means golf near perfection.

Clayton Heafner of Linville, N. C., pushed into second place, might have won here with a little better luck. Three of his putts rimmed the cup down the homestretch as he finished with a 68—his fourth subpar score—for 272. Some consolation was his $1,250 check.

Hogan's closing 69 gave him 275 and third place, Snead and Willie Goggin of Miami sharing the fourth spot at 277. Each won $650.

Mike Turnesa of New York collected the $500 Smith prize with a 278. Claude Harmon of Orlando, Fla., and Ben Loving of Springfield, Mass., tied at 279 for $350 each.

Big Jim Ferrier, the Australian champion, and Earl Christiansen, Miami policeman, tied at 287 in the amateur division. Dick Chapman of New York, national amateur champion, was off his game and finished with 299.

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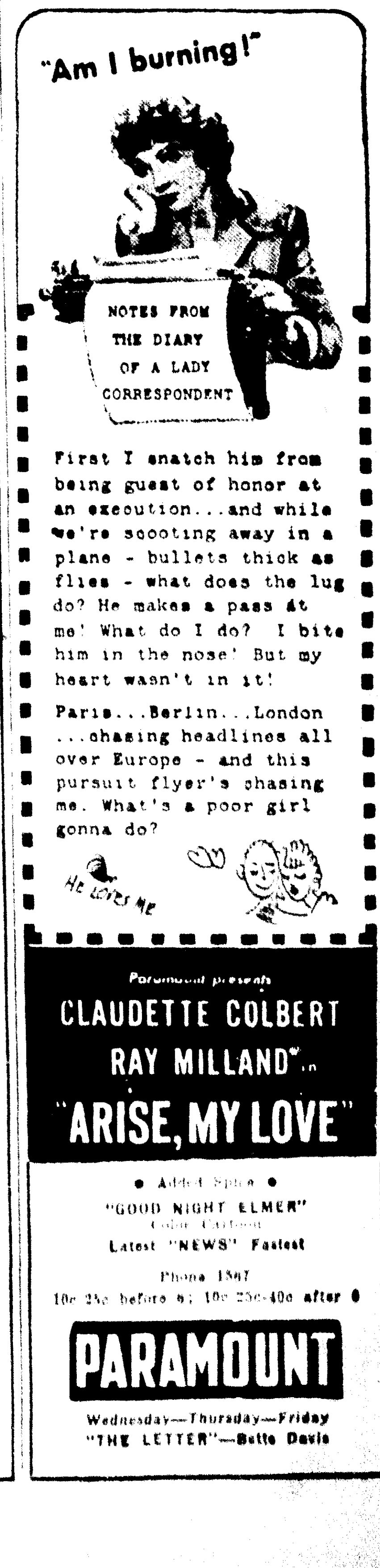
"Am I burning!"
NOTES FROM THE DIARY OF A LADY CORRESPONDENT
First I snatch him from being guest of honor at an execution...and while we're scooting away in a plane - bullets thick as flies - what does the lug do? He makes a pass at me! What do I do? I bite him in the nose! But my heart wasn't in it!
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ERS CLAIM CROPS' DAMAGE

Joint Congressional Committee Will Hear Summation Of Charges

ORLANDO, Fla., Dec. 16.—(AP)—A [illegible] campaign by which the government stamped out a threatened invasion of the dread Mediterranean fruit fly 11 years ago has become today the $12,000,000 headache of a congressional committee.

Ever since the drive ended, fruit and vegetable growers who thought their groves and crops were unnecessarily damaged have sought reimbursement. Numerous surveys have been made.

Finally the situation has come to a head with a series of hearings by a joint sub-committee of the senate and house claims committee. Six congressmen have been hearing charges and claims for two weeks. Tuesday the whole thing will be summed before them.

Charges of negligence, ignorance, panic and wastefulness have been thrown at the department of agriculture and the corps of some 6,000 inspectors, sprayers and cleanup men who worked for nearly a year combing every possible hiding place of the pest.

"We insist that innocent growers and their properties were used as guinea pigs' for the rest of the nation, declared A. E. Pickard, chairman of a growers committee that since 1930 has gathered some 6,000 individual damage claims.

Dr. Wilmon Newell, University of Florida provost for agriculture who directed the campaign for the agriculture department, said the "medfly" would have spread eventually to the Pacific coast fruit belt, destroying peaches, figs, grapes and other soft-skinned fruit, had it not been halted in Florida.

Growers have claimed vegetables were needlessly plowed under, orange and grapefruit groves sprayed with excessive and destructive doses, roses and flowering shrubs yanked up by overzealous inspectors.

Some blamed the agriculture department for being unfamiliar with the fly and control methods although it had been prevalent in other countries for nearly a century. In early stages of the campaign, certain vegetables were destroyed as "host plants" to "medfly" eggs. Later they were removed from the host list.

The infestation was discovered in April, 1929. The original fund shrinking, $15,000,000 more was sought the next year. But growers eyeing crop losses, spiked the move.

The "medfly," however, was stopped. The methods, said Dr. Newell, were "war." He believes such "war" would be justified should the insect appear in this country again. He also says growers should be reimbursed.

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MDIVANI INJURED IN POLO CONTEST

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 16.—(AP)—His love of polo has sent David Mdivani, last of the hard-riding brother Georgian princes, to a hospital again.

A mallet in the hands of a teammate in a match at Riviera Country club knocked out 10 of Mdivani's teeth and badly cut the inside of his mouth. He only recently had resumed playing, nine months after suffering a knee injury on the same field.

His brother Serge died in a polo accident in Florida several years ago and the third brother, Alexis, was fatally hurt in a European auto accident.

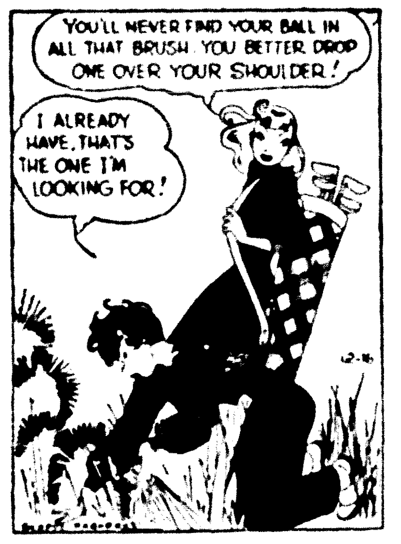
THREE ARE INJURED IN PLANE CRACKUP

PASCAGOULA, Miss., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Three residents of Mobile, Ala., were injured in an airplane crash here.

Joseph H. Helmsing, the pilot, received a cut on the cheek; Edmond R. Vogelgesang suffered an ankle fracture and James Parsons, 14, lost several teeth. Lieutenant John A. Sedgwick of Mobile, owner of the plane, said an unexpected gust of wind apparently caused Helmsing, an experienced pilot, to lose control.

There are about 30,000 craters on the visible surface of the moon.

MOPSY By GLADYS PARKER


YOU'LL NEVER FIND YOUR BALL IN ALL THAT BRUSH. YOU BETTER DROP ONE OVER YOUR SHOULDER!
I ALREADY HAVE, THAT'S THE ONE I'M LOOKING FOR!
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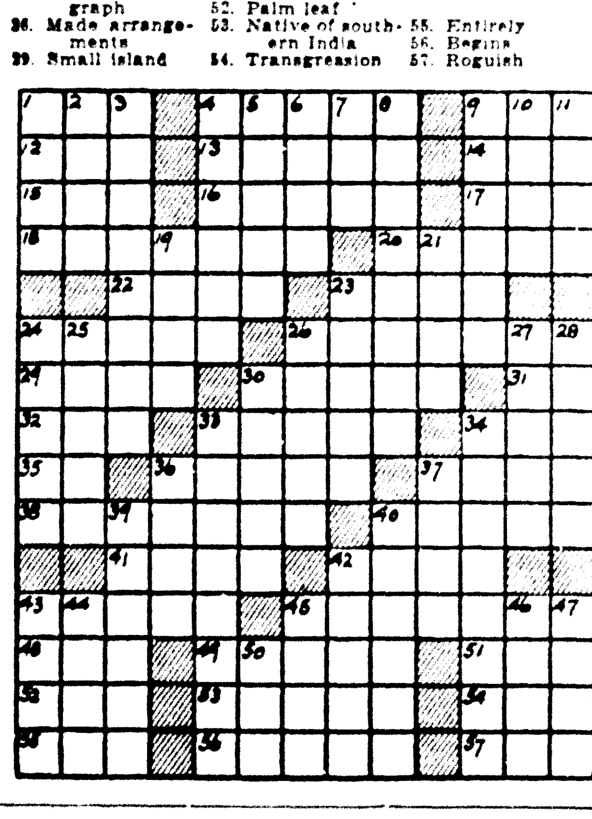
Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Organ of speech
4. Allude
9. Chop
12. Town in Ohio
13. Banish from one's native land
14. Anger
15. Poorly
16. Giant
17. Through: prefix
18. Goes away
20. Shrub
22. Lumbermen's tools
23. S-shaped molding
24. Submarine telegraph
26. Made arrangements
29. Small island
30. Move smoothly
31. Negative
32. Stamping form
33. Bondsman
34. Turn to the left
35. Short for a man's name
36. Rock
37. Shelter for small animals
38. Get
40. Part of a coat
41. Healthy
42. Be fond of
43. Diminish
45. Tagged
48. Short sleep
49. Hackneyed
51. Preceding night
52. Palm leaf
53. Native of southern India
54. Transgression
55. Entirely
56. Begins
57. Roguish

DOWN

1. Deposited
2. Unoccupied
3. Obvious
4. Slightly damaged paper
5. Passages out
6. Conforms to the shape
7. Old musical note
8. Deserter
9. Concealed
10. American lake
11. Withstand use
19. Spindle on which a wheel turns
21. Unaspirated
23. Fruit
24. Apple juice
25. Apart
26. Level
27. Growing out
28. Connecting pin
30. Article of apparel
33. Instrument for making holes
34. Despairing
36. Location
37. Article of food
39. Small church
40. Printed defamations
42. Ancient language
43. Small wild ox
44. Dance
45. Acid fruit
46. Vice
47. Refuse
50. Knock



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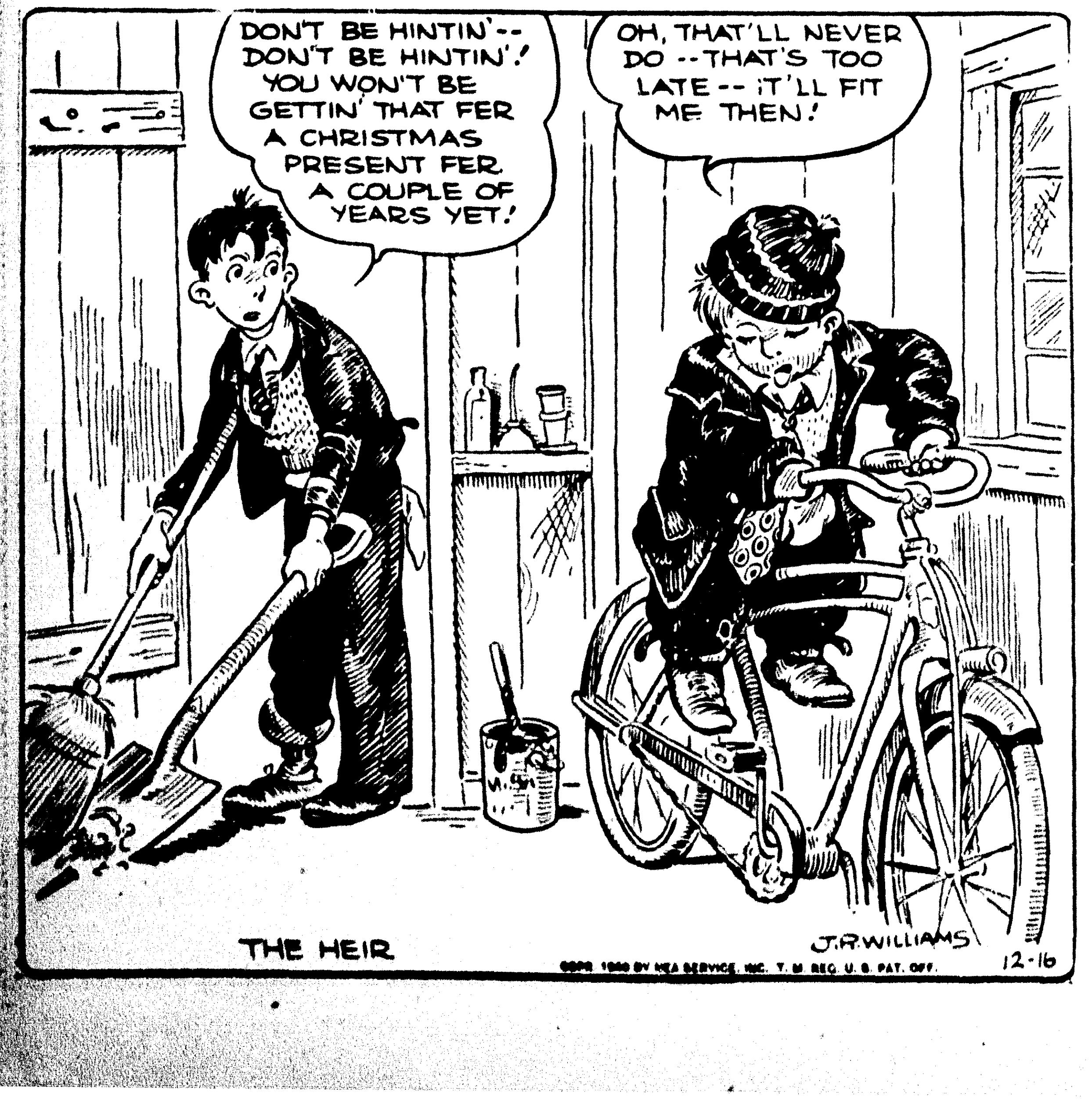
Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle

OUT OUR WAY —By Williams


DON'T BE HINTIN'-- DON'T BE HINTIN'! YOU WON'T BE GETTIN' THAT FER A CHRISTMAS PRESENT FER A COUPLE OF YEARS YET!
OH, THAT'LL NEVER DO --THAT'S TOO LATE -- IT'LL FIT ME THEN!
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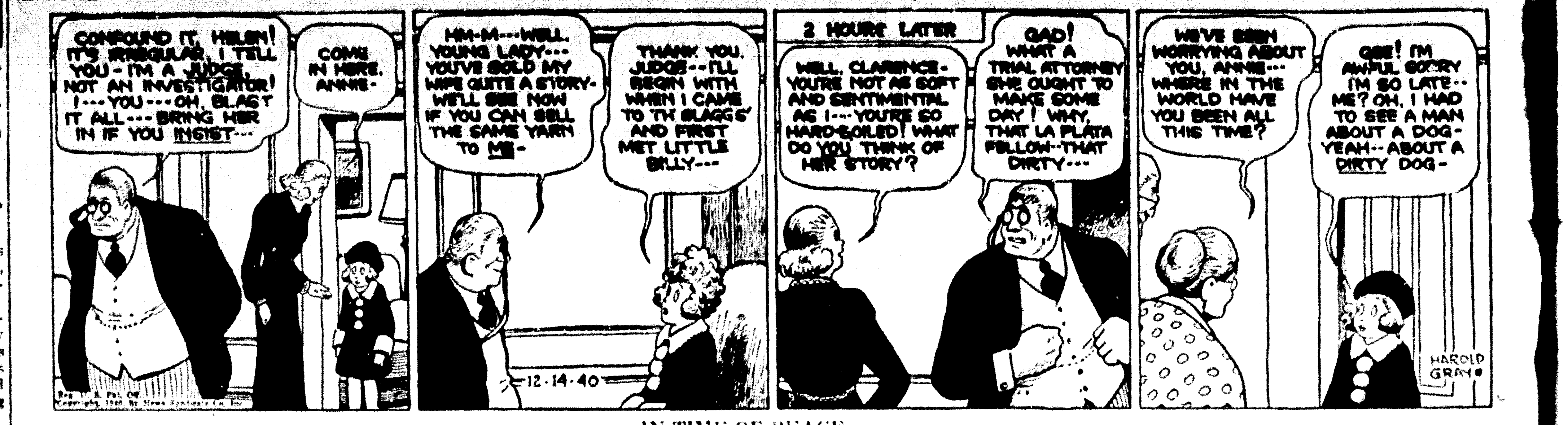
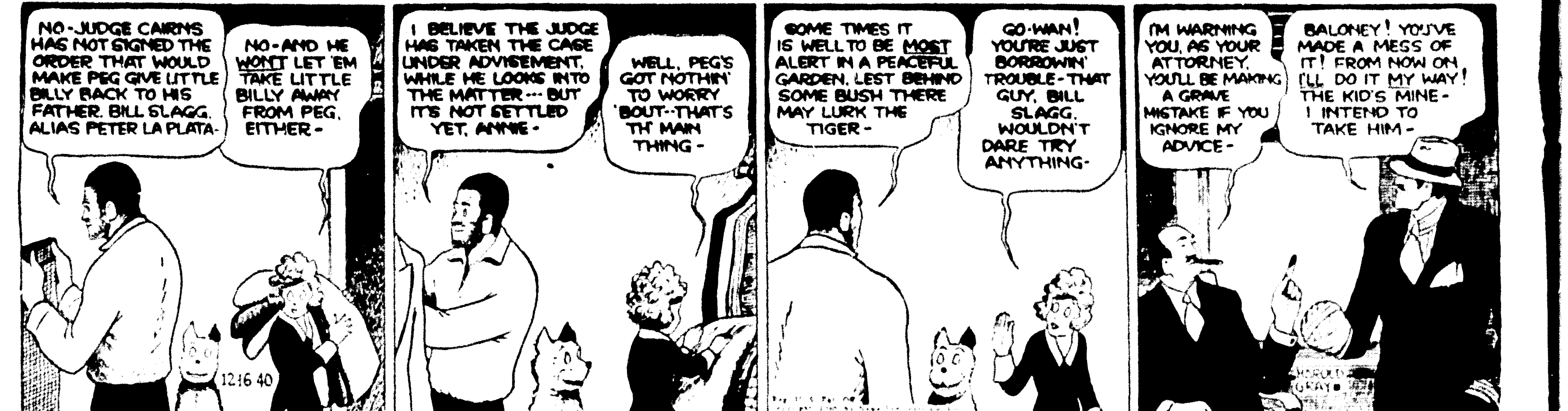
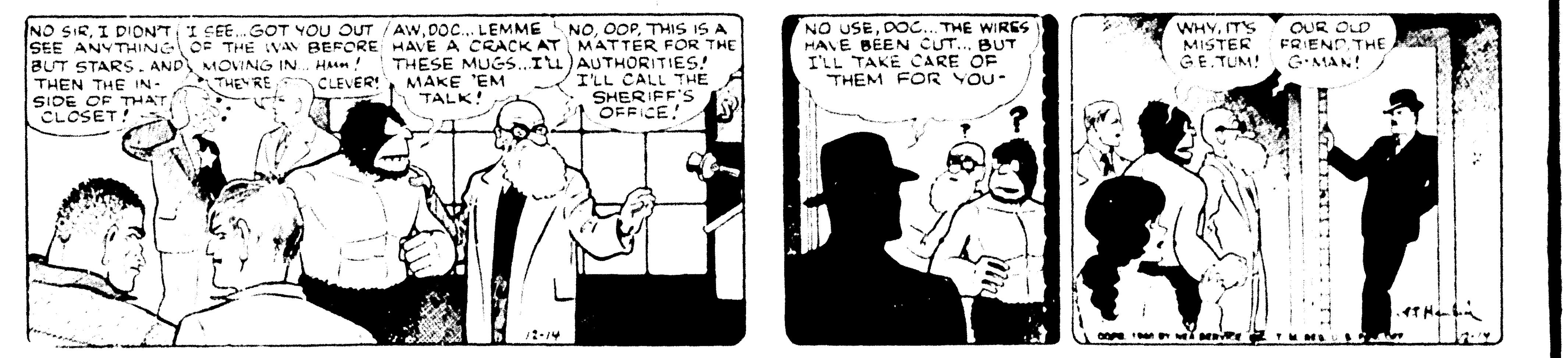
LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE HALF PORTIA By Harold Gray


CONFOUND IT, HELEN! IT'S IRREGULAR, I TELL YOU - I'M A JUDGE, NOT AN INVESTIGATOR! I---YOU---OH, BLAST IT ALL---BRING HER IN IF YOU INSIST---
COME IN HERE, ANNIE-
HM-M---WELL, YOUNG LADY--- YOU'VE SOLD MY WIFE QUITE A STORY- WE'LL SEE NOW IF YOU CAN SELL THE SAME YARN TO ME-
THANK YOU, JUDGE--I'LL BEGIN WITH WHEN I CAME TO TH' SLAGG'S AND FIRST MET LITTLE BILLY---
12-14-40
2 HOURS LATER
WELL, CLARENCE- YOU'RE NOT AS SOFT AND SENTIMENTAL AS I---YOU'RE SO HARD-BOILED! WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HER STORY?
GAD! WHAT A TRIAL ATTORNEY SHE OUGHT TO MAKE SOME DAY! WHY, THAT LA PLATA FELLOW--THAT DIRTY---
WE'VE BEEN WORRYING ABOUT YOU, ANNIE--- WHERE IN THE WORLD HAVE YOU BEEN ALL THIS TIME?
GEE! I'M AWFUL SORRY I'M SO LATE-- ME? OH, I HAD TO SEE A MAN ABOUT A DOG- YEAH--ABOUT A DIRTY DOG-
HAROLD GRAY

IN TIME OF PEACE


NO-JUDGE CAIRNS HAS NOT SIGNED THE ORDER THAT WOULD MAKE PEG GIVE LITTLE BILLY BACK TO HIS FATHER, BILL SLAGG, ALIAS PETER LA PLATA-
NO-AND HE WON'T LET 'EM TAKE LITTLE BILLY AWAY FROM PEG, EITHER-
12-16 40
I BELIEVE THE JUDGE HAS TAKEN THE CASE UNDER ADVISEMENT, WHILE HE LOOKS INTO THE MATTER--- BUT IT'S NOT SETTLED YET, ANNIE-
WELL, PEG'S GOT NOTHIN' TO WORRY 'BOUT--THAT'S TH' MAIN THING-
SOME TIMES IT IS WELL TO BE MOST ALERT IN A PEACEFUL GARDEN, LEST BEHIND SOME BUSH THERE MAY LURK THE TIGER-
GO-WAN! YOU'RE JUST BORROWIN' TROUBLE-THAT GUY, BILL SLAGG, WOULDN'T DARE TRY ANYTHING-
I'M WARNING YOU, AS YOUR ATTORNEY, YOU'LL BE MAKING A GRAVE MISTAKE IF YOU IGNORE MY ADVICE-
BALONEY! YOU'VE MADE A MESS OF IT! FROM NOW ON I'LL DO IT MY WAY! THE KID'S MINE- I INTEND TO TAKE HIM-
HAROLD GRAY

ALLEY OOP IN PERSON By V. T. Hamlin


NO SIR, I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING BUT STARS... AND THEN THE INSIDE OF THAT CLOSET!
I SEE...GOT YOU OUT OF THE WAY BEFORE MOVING IN... HMM! THEY'RE CLEVER!
AW, DOC...LEMME HAVE A CRACK AT THESE MUGS...I'LL MAKE 'EM TALK!
NO, OOP, THIS IS A MATTER FOR THE AUTHORITIES! I'LL CALL THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE!
12-14
NO USE, DOC... THE WIRES HAVE BEEN CUT... BUT I'LL TAKE CARE OF THEM FOR YOU-
? ?
WHY, IT'S MISTER G.E.TUM!
OUR OLD FRIEND, THE G-MAN!
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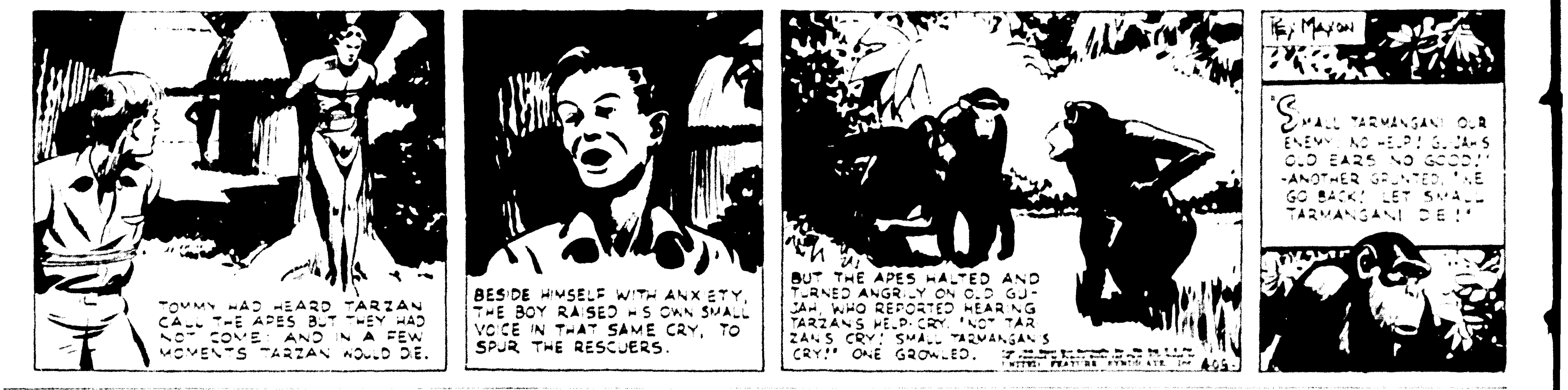
TARZAN FORTUNE TURNS HER BACK By Edgar Rice Burroughs


TOMMY HAD HEARD TARZAN CALL THE APES BUT THEY HAD NOT COME! AND IN A FEW MOMENTS TARZAN WOULD DIE.
BESIDE HIMSELF WITH ANXIETY, THE BOY RAISED HIS OWN SMALL VOICE IN THAT SAME CRY, TO SPUR THE RESCUERS.
BUT THE APES HALTED AND TURNED ANGRILY ON OLD GUJAH, WHO REPORTED HEARING TARZAN'S HELP-CRY. "NOT TARZAN'S CRY! SMALL TARMANGANI'S CRY!" ONE GROWLED.
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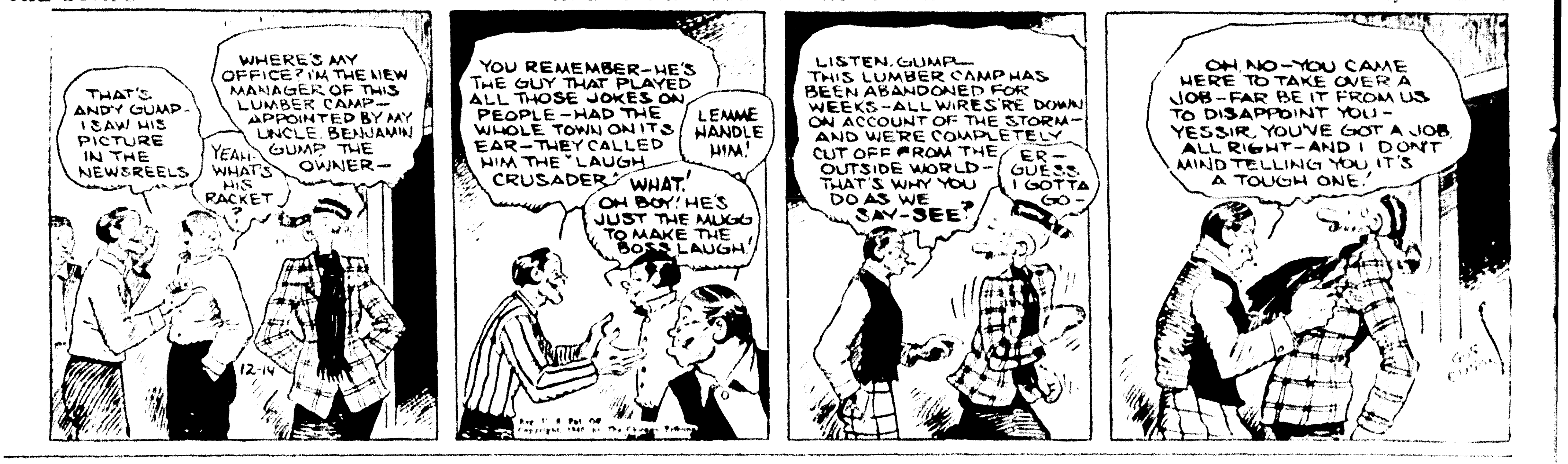
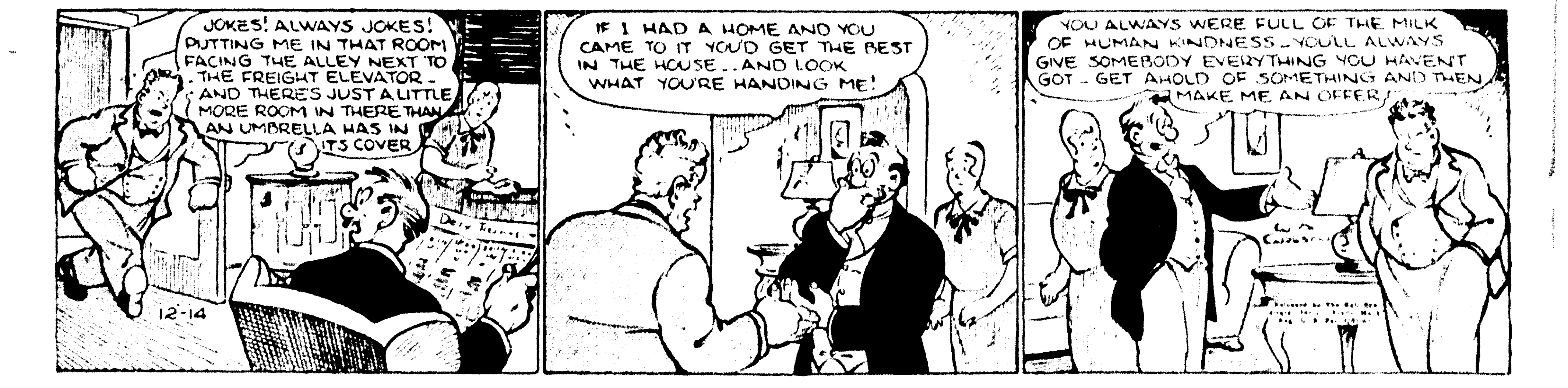
"SMALL TARMANGANI OUR ENEMY! NO HELP! GUJAH'S OLD EARS NO GOOD!" -ANOTHER GRUNTED. "WE GO BACK! LET SMALL TARMANGANI DIE!"

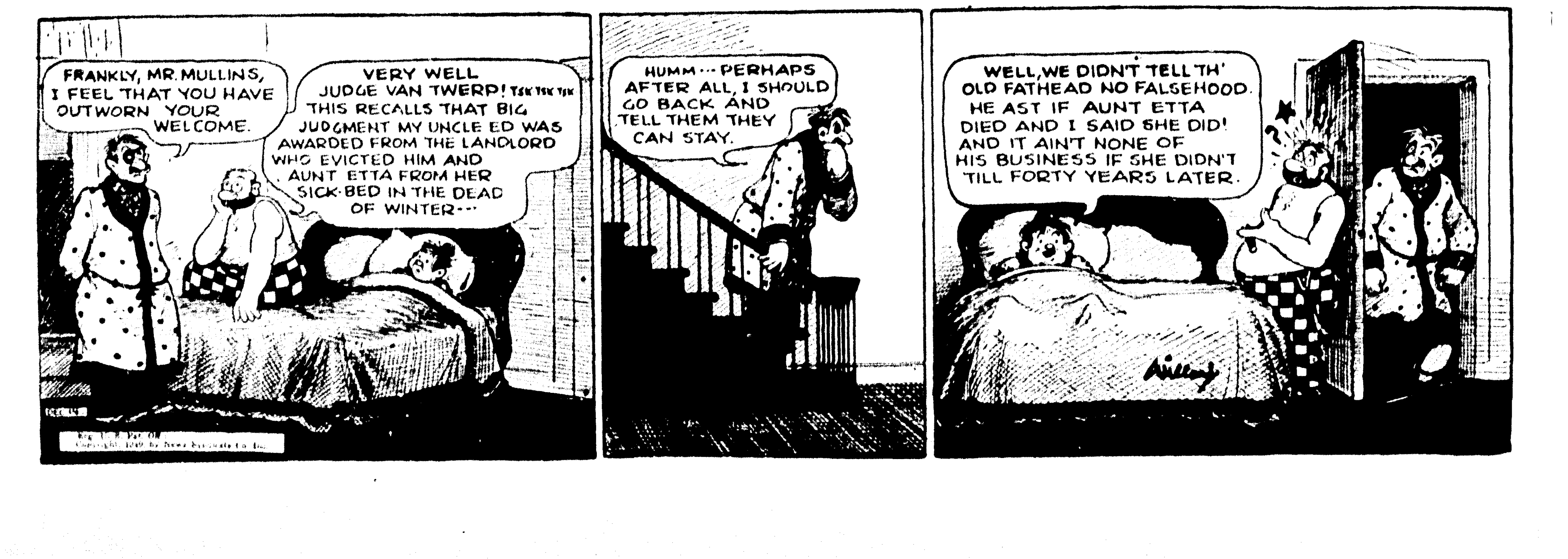
THE GUMPS ANDY'S NEW JOB—COURT JESTER By Gus Edson


THAT'S ANDY GUMP- I SAW HIS PICTURE IN THE NEWSREELS
YEAH- WHAT'S HIS RACKET?
WHERE'S MY OFFICE? I'M THE NEW MANAGER OF THIS LUMBER CAMP- APPOINTED BY MY UNCLE, BENJAMIN GUMP, THE OWNER-
12-14
YOU REMEMBER-HE'S THE GUY THAT PLAYED ALL THOSE JOKES ON PEOPLE-HAD THE WHOLE TOWN ON ITS EAR-THEY CALLED HIM THE "LAUGH CRUSADER"
LEMME HANDLE HIM!
WHAT! OH BOY! HE'S JUST THE MUGG TO MAKE THE BOSS LAUGH!
LISTEN, GUMP- THIS LUMBER CAMP HAS BEEN ABANDONED FOR WEEKS-ALL WIRES'RE DOWN ON ACCOUNT OF THE STORM- AND WE'RE COMPLETELY CUT OFF FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD- THAT'S WHY YOU DO AS WE SAY-SEE?
ER- GUESS I GOTTA GO-
OH, NO-YOU CAME HERE TO TAKE OVER A JOB-FAR BE IT FROM US TO DISAPPOINT YOU- YESSIR, YOU'VE GOT A JOB, ALL RIGHT-AND I DON'T MIND TELLING YOU, IT'S A TOUGH ONE!

THE NEBBS ALWAYS JOKING By Sol Hess


JOKES! ALWAYS JOKES! PUTTING ME IN THAT ROOM FACING THE ALLEY NEXT TO THE FREIGHT ELEVATOR - AND THERE'S JUST A LITTLE MORE ROOM IN THERE THAN AN UMBRELLA HAS IN ITS COVER
12-14
IF I HAD A HOME AND YOU CAME TO IT YOU'D GET THE BEST IN THE HOUSE... AND LOOK WHAT YOU'RE HANDING ME!
YOU ALWAYS WERE FULL OF THE MILK OF HUMAN KINDNESS - YOU'LL ALWAYS GIVE SOMEBODY EVERYTHING YOU HAVEN'T GOT - GET AHOLD OF SOMETHING AND THEN MAKE ME AN OFFER!

MOON MULLINS GOOD TIMING By Willard


FRANKLY, MR. MULLINS, I FEEL THAT YOU HAVE OUTWORN YOUR WELCOME.
VERY WELL JUDGE VAN TWERP! TSK TSK TSK THIS RECALLS THAT BIG JUDGMENT MY UNCLE ED WAS AWARDED FROM THE LANDLORD WHO EVICTED HIM AND AUNT ETTA FROM HER SICK-BED IN THE DEAD OF WINTER---
HUMM---PERHAPS AFTER ALL, I SHOULD GO BACK AND TELL THEM THEY CAN STAY.
WELL, WE DIDN'T TELL TH' OLD FATHEAD NO FALSEHOOD. HE AST IF AUNT ETTA DIED AND I SAID SHE DID! AND IT AIN'T NONE OF HIS BUSINESS IF SHE DIDN'T TILL FORTY YEARS LATER.
Willard

MARKETS

COTTON

New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16—(AP)—Cotton futures were depressed here today by hedge selling and easiness in other markets. Closing prices were steady, four points net lower.

	Open	High	Low	Close	
Jan.	10.08b	....	....	10.05b	....
Mch.	10.22	10.22	10.19	10.19n	....
May	10.14	10.14	10.12	10.12b	....
July	9.94	9.94	9.92	9.93	off 4
Oct.	9.38	9.38	9.37	9.38n	....
Dec	9.32b	....	....	9.32b	....

b—Bid; n—Nominal.

SPOT COTTON

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16—(AP)—Spot cotton closed steady, six lower. Sales 2,781. Low middling 8.89, middling 9.59, good middling 10.29. Receipts 1,134. Stocks 528,547.

AVERAGE COTTON PRICE

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16—(AP)—The average price of middling 15-16-inch cotton at 10 designated Southern spot markets today was 2 lower at 9.82 cents a pound; average for the past 30 market days was 9.77. Middling 7-8-inch average was 9.61 cents a pound.

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New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—Cotton futures suffered small losses today under pressure of Bombay and southern selling. Buying was limited to trade covering and price fixing, partly against Russian cotton.

Late prices were down 2 to 4 points. March 10.15; July 9.88; Oct. 9.34.

Futures closed 2 to 5 lower.

	Open	High	Low	Last	
Jan				10.04n	off 7
Mch	10.16	10.17	10.14	10.15	off 2
May	10.09	10.10	10.07	10.08n	off 3
July	9.89	9.90	9.87	9.88	off 5
Oct	9.34	9.34	9.32	9.33	off 5
Dec				9.29n	off 5

Middling spot 10.31n, off 2.

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Liverpool

LIVERPOOL, Dec 16—(AP)—Limited demand for spot cotton; prices 2 points higher. Quotations in pence: American strict good middling 8.59, good middling 8.69, strict middling 8.51, middling 8.39, strict low middling 8.21, low middling 7.84, strict good ordinary [illegible], good ordinary 6.84.

Futures closed unchanged to 1 lower. March 7.96, May 7.88, July [illegible], October 7.7[illegible].

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Cottonseed Oil

New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16—(AP)—Cottonseed oil closed steady. Bleachable prime summer yellow [illegible]; prime crude 4.[illegible]. Dec. [illegible], Jan. 5.21b, March 5.30b, May [illegible], July 5.45n.

b—Bid; n—Nominal.

New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—Bleachable cottonseed oil futures closed 3 to 7 lower. [illegible] Jan. [illegible] March [illegible] May [illegible] July [illegible]

b—Bid.

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Poultry

CHICAGO, Dec. 16—(AP)—Poultry live [illegible] trucks, heavy springs and geese firm, small springs and roosters easier; hens, over 5 lbs. 15, 5 lbs. and under 12 1-2, Leghorn hens 10; broilers 2 1-2 lbs. and down, colored 16, Plymouth Rock 16, White Rock 16; springs, 4 lbs. up, colored 14, Plymouth Rock 17, White Rock 17; under 4 lbs., colored 15, Plymouth Rock 16, White Rock 16; roosters 10 1-2, Leghorn roosters [illegible]; ducks 4 1-2 lbs. up, colored 12 1-2, white 13 1-2, small colored 11, small white 11; geese, 12 lbs. down 12 1-2, over 12 lbs. 11 1-2; turkeys, toms, old 12, young, over 18 lbs. 14, 18 lbs. down 15, hens 17; capons, 7 lbs. up 21, under 7 lbs. 19; slips 17.

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Sugar

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—Active Cuban hedge selling dominated domestic sugar futures today. Trade support increased meanwhile and prices recovered half of their maximum loss to range one point lower at late afternoon. March traded at 1.96 and July 2.0[illegible].

Demand for world futures was limited and prices declined 2 to 2 1-2 points on hedging and liquidation. March sold at 75 and September 84.

Raws were quiet and offered in moderate volume at 2.95 cents.

Refined locally continued at 4.40 cents.

Futures No. 3 closed 1 to 2 lower. Sales 9,400 tons. Jan. 1.90b, March 1.96b, May 2.00b.

No. 4 futures 2 to 2 1-2 lower, sales 6,550 tons. March 74 1-2b, May 77 1-2b, July 80b.

b—Bid.

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Butter And Eggs

CHICAGO, Dec. 16—(AP)—Butter, receipts 486,007, steady; creamery, 93 score 36-36 1-2; 92, 35 1-2; 91, 35 1-4; 90, 35; 89, 34 1-4; 88, 33 3-4; 90 centralized carlots 35.

Eggs, receipts 4,740, steady; fresh graded firsts 27, firsts 26, current receipts 24 1-2, dirties 20, fresh checks 20, refrigerator checks 17 1-2, refrigerator extras 23, refrigerator standards 22 3-4, government graded eggs: U. S. extras 38 and 39, down 2 cents.

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RIVER STAGES

Stations:	Flood Stage	Present Stage	24-Hour Change
MISSISSIPPI			
St. Louis	30	1.1	0.3 Rise
Memphis	34	4.7	1.1 Rise
Helena	44	6.1	0.5 Rise
Arkansas City	42	3.0	0.1 Fall
Vicksburg	43	1.2	0.3 Fall
Natchez	48	9.2	0.3 Rise
Baton Rouge	35	9.5	0.5 Rise
ATCHAFALAYA			
Melville	37	15.5	0.2 Rise
Morgan City	6	3.3	0.3 Rise
OUACHITA			
Camden	26	18.5	1.2 Rise
Monroe	40	23.6	0.1 Rise
OHIO			
Pittsburgh	25	16.9	0.0
Cincinnati	52	16.4	0.2 Rise
Cairo	40	13.0	0.2 Rise
TENNESSEE			
Chattanooga	30	7.0	0.1 Rise
CUMBERLAND			
Nashville	40	9.8	0.1 Rise
ARKANSAS			
Fort Smith	22	9.4	2.0 Rise
Little Rock	23	4.9	1.1 Rise
RED			
Shreveport	39	15.7	2.1 Rise
Alexandria	32	22.5	0.0

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—Stocks heavy; leading industrials dip. Bonds lower; governments hold steady. Foreign exchange steady; free Argentine peso improves. Cotton quiet; Bombay and southern selling; trade covering. Sugar easier; Cuban selling; trade support. Metals steady; steel operations advance. Wool tops narrow; Boston and mill buying.

CHICAGO—Wheat almost two cents lower; good crop prospects. Corn lower; weakened by wheat action. Cattle steady; liberal receipts. Hogs 10-15 up; broader demand.

NEW YORK STOCKS

By Victor Eubank

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—The stock market suffered a mild case of chills today and leading issues were shaken down fractions to around 2 points.

Slightly irregular prices appeared at the start. Trends then turned downward in light dealings. Declines were at or near the worst in the final hour. A few recoveries were in evidence at the close.

Volume picked up a bit as the session drew toward the finish and transfers approximated 650,000 shares.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16—(AP)—Potential stock buyers shaded their bids in today's market and leading issues edged downward.

Offerings were exceptionally light, however, and early declines of fractions to a point or so were reduced near the fourth hour.

While war and business news seemed encouraging, brokers said, traders generally inclined to proceed carefully pending expected shifts in national defense plans and clarification of the president's comments upon leaving Warm Springs that he would be back in March "if the world survives."

Bonds were uneven, as were major commodities.

Early backward leanings were exhibited by U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Republic Steel, Anaconda, American Smelting, Consolidated Edison, Sears, Roebuck, International Harvester, Douglas Aircraft, Chesapeake & Ohio, Eastman Kodak, U. S. Rubber, duPont and American Can.

Contrarily, Jones & Laughlin preferred went into new high ground for the year. Resistance also was shown by General Motors, Great Northern, United Aircraft and Standard Oil of N. J.

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CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 16—(AP)—Further selling of new crop wheat contracts due to excellent moisture conditions throughout much of the winter wheat belt unsettled the grain market early today.

Opening unchanged to 5-8 lower, December 88-88 7-8, May 85-84 3-4, wheat later declined further. Corn started unchanged to 3-8 down, December 59 1-8-58, May 59 1-4.

Wheat closed 1 1-2 to 1 7-8 cents lower than Saturday, December 87 3-8 to 1-2, May 85 5-8 to 1-2, July 78 5-8 to 1-2; corn 1-8 to 5-8 down, December 58 7-8 to 3-4, May 59 1-8 to 59; oats unchanged to 5-8 lower.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec	88-88⅞	89	87¼	87⅜-½
May	85-84¾	85	[illegible]	85⅝-½
July	79⅛-¼	79⅜	78	78⅝-½
CORN—				
Dec	59⅛-59	59⅛	58⅝	58⅞-¾
May	59¼	59⅜	58⅞	59⅛-59
July	59⅛	59¼	[illegible]	59⅛
OATS—				
Dec	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
May	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	[illegible]	30⅞	[illegible]
SOY BEANS—				
Dec	[illegible]	[illegible]	85⅛	[illegible]
May	85¼	[illegible]	85⅛	[illegible]
July	85¼	[illegible]	85¼	85½
RYE—				
Dec	42⅞	[illegible]	[illegible]	42½
May	46¼	46¼	45¾	45¾
July	47	47	46⅝	46¾
LARD—				
Dec				4.10
Jan	4.22-25	4.25	4.12	4.15
Mar	5.42	5.42	5.32	5.32
May	5.60	5.60	5.50	5.50
July	5.77	5.77	5.70	5.70
Sep.	5.95	5.95	5.87	5.90

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Potatoes

CHICAGO, Dec. 16—(AP)—(USDA)—Potatoes, arrivals 163, on track 350, total United States shipments Saturday 633, Sunday 188; Nebraska Bliss Triumphs United States No. 1, 1.75-80; Minnesota and North Dakota Cobblers 85 per cent or more United States No. 1, 1.00-10; early Ohios 80 per cent United States No. 1, 1.00; Bliss Triumphs 85 per cent or more United States No. 1, 1.00-40.

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THREE MEN KILLED IN TEXAS MYSTERY

EDINBURG, Tex., Dec. 16—(AP)—Three men were killed and another wounded by a gunman who fired through the window of a tavern Sunday night at Los Ebanos, small settlement near the Sam Fordyce oil field. The slayer escaped.

The dead were Special Deputy Saragoza Flores, about 50, Marcos Ramirez, about 60, and Santana Garza, 27.

Justo Flores, 30, was shot in the knee.

Sheriff R. T. Daniel theorized the shooting might have been an outgrowth of an old neighborhood feud.

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FREEDOM'S PRICE

HELENA, Mont. (AP)—A skinny, nondescript little fellow, released from a cell in the Helena jail, peered ruefully through the police station window. Big flakes of snow were falling outside. Finally he shuffled over to the jailer and said:

"Can I borrow a dollar six bits from you, brother?"

The jailer said "no." In a moment the fellow turned and walked into the cell that he recently had vacated.

"Just lock me up again," he said contentedly.

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Notice is given that **WILLIE N. CLARK** and **MRS. LOUISE REYNOLDS CLARK** of Monroe, Louisiana, have been appointed as Liquidators to wind up the affairs of **CLARKS PHARMACY, INC.**, out of Court.

Monroe, La.,
Dec. 11, 16, 20, 1940.

Notice is given that **MRS. FRANCES REYNOLDS** and **MRS. LOUISE REYNOLDS** of Monroe, Louisiana, have been appointed as Liquidators to wind up the affairs of **ROCHELLE REALTY COMPANY, INC.**, out of Court.

Monroe, La.,
Dec. 11, 16, 20, 1940.

Succession of Mrs. Aslee Foster. Probate No. 29673; State of Louisiana, Parish of Ouachita, Fourth District Court.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of this estate and to all persons herein interested to show cause, within ten days from the present notification, if any they have or can, why the final account presented by Luther Reed, Sr., Administrator of this estate, should not be approved and homologated and the funds distributed in accordance therewith.

Witness the Honorables J. T. Shell and D. I. Garrett, Judges of aforesaid Court, this 13th day of December, 1940.
(SEAL) S. O. WILLIAMS
Deputy Clerk of Court.

Monroe, La.,
Dec. 13, 16, 20, 1940.

SHERIFF'S SALE

Commercial Securities Company, Inc. vs. No. 29832, Russell H. Simpton; State of Louisiana, Parish of Ouachita, Fourth District Court.

By virtue of a writ of fi fa issued from the Honorable Fourth Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of Ouachita, State of Louisiana, in the above entitled and numbered cause and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at the western front door of the Court House in the City of Monroe, Louisiana, between the legal hours of sale on

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21ST, 1940,

the following described property, to-wit:—

One 1936 Chevrolet Coach Automobile bearing Serial No. 2FC07-7431, Motor No. M[illegible]

One 1937 Model Ford V-8 Coach Automobile bearing Motor No. 18-4[illegible]

One 1936 Terraplane Coach Automobile bearing Serial No. 613437, Motor No. 165269.

Seized as the property of the defendant and will be sold to satisfy said writ of fi fa and all costs.

Terms of sale, cash, with the benefit of appraisement, to the last and highest bidder.

MILTON COVERDALE, Sheriff.

Monroe, La.,
Dec. 13, 16, 19, 1940.

Announcements

Cards of Thanks (1)

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to use this method in thanking our many friends and loved ones for their kindness and assistance shown us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father and grandfather.

MRS. W. F. EVANS
MR. AND MRS. J. F. EVANS AND JOHN
MR. AND MRS. J. B. RICHARDSON AND LEO KAY
MR. AND MRS. A. W. EVANS AND FAMILY
MR. AND MRS. I. I. EVANS
MR. AND MRS. A. F. GILMORE AND MONITZ
MR. AND MRS. I. H. EVANS AND FAMILY
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Lost & Found (2)

LOST DOWNTOWN—White lady's purse with Indian head [illegible]. Contents little over $20. Envelope with name Edith. Liberal reward. Call [illegible] 7431.

LOST—Two small fox dogs. One white, red speckled ear. Eight tatooed in ear. One white, black and tan spotted with [illegible] back. Reward. Phone 672 or 4587-W.

LOST—Gold bracelet between bank building and Palace. Reward. Phone 2488 or 3807.

LOST—Yellow gold diamond ring. Middle stone 82 points. Four small diamonds each side. Reward. Turner Cox, Sheriff's Department, Bastrop, La.

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Personals (3)

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Announcements

Personals (3)

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J. L. PETERSON

Monroe News-Star,
Dec. 16, 20, 24, 1940.

I, JESSIE HUDSON, AM APPLYING FOR PAROLE

JESSIE HUDSON

Monroe News-Star,
Dec. 16, 23, 1940.

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Special Notices (4)

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Bids and Proposals 4-A

NOTICE

The Northeast Junior College, Division of Louisiana State University, will accept sealed bids at the Auditor's Office, Monroe, Louisiana, for printing the 1941 annual, the Chacahoula, up until 2:30 p.m., December 31, 1940, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Specifications may be obtained at the auditor's office, Northeast Junior College, Monroe, Louisiana.

Northeast Junior College reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

NORTHEAST JUNIOR COLLEGE,
By J. J. FREY,
Assistant Auditor.

Monroe, La.,
Dec. 16, 23, 30, 1940.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the State Department of Institutions, J. F. Snee, Director, at the office of the Department of Institutions, 20th Floor, State Capitol, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, until Monday, December 30th, 1940, at 11 o'clock A. M. (CST), for Venetian Blinds, approximately 130, for the Monroe Charity Hospital, at Monroe, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Copies of specifications are on file in the office of the State Department of Institutions, 20th Floor, State Capitol, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and are open for public inspection, and a set of such specifications may be obtained upon request.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least thirty days.

The State Department of Institutions reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities.

J. F. SNEE, Director
Department of Institutions

Monroe News-Star
Dec. 16, 23, 27, 1940.

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